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An Act for the Organization of Corporate Congregational Churches.

Act. 53, Public Acts of Michigan, 1901, as amended by Act. 84 Public Acts, 1905, and Act. 298 of Public Acts of 1913.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Sections one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the organization of corporate Congregational churches," as amended by act number eighty-four of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred five, are hereby amended to read as follows:

Acts of nineteen hundred five, are hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1. It shall be lawful for any number of persons of full age,
not less than five, who may desire to form themselves into a Congregational church, to adopt, execute and acknowledge before any person
authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, articles of association,
in writing, whereby they shall agree to organize a church, according
to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called Congregational, under the name and style set forth in said articles, which
shall contain the following items:

First. The name of said church;

Second. The township, village or city, and the county in which said church shall be located;

Third. An agreement to worship and labor together as a church according to the faith and usages of the churches commonly called

Congregational.

SEC. 2. The persons signing said articles may, at the same time, elect by ballot, or may designate some other time and place for so electing, not less than three nor more than twelve trustees, a majority of whom shall be members of said church, to serve until their successors shall be elected. One-third of said trustees as near as may be shall, at the first election, be chosen for three years, one-third for two years, and one-third for one year, but thereafter, except to fill vacancies, they shall be chosen for three years, of which election a full record shall be made, and a certified copy of such record, signed by the presiding officer and secretary of the meeting at which said election is held, together with said articles of association, shall be recorded by the clerk of the county in which such church or place of worship is or shall be located, in a book by him provided for that purpose, and such clerk shall be entitled to a fee of ten cents per folio for recording the same. When said articles of association and the certificate of election of said trustees shall have been so filed for record, the persons who shall have signed said articles, together with who shall thereafter become members of said church, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons being of legal age, who are, and those who shall become regular contributors to the support of said church, shall become and be a body corporate under the name and style adopted in said articles, which name shall conform to

the following form, namely: The (insert name or number) Congrega-

tional church of (insert name of place of location).

SEC. 3. It shall be lawful for said corporation at any regular or called meeting of its members, due notice having been given as hereinafter provided, by a two-thirds majority of the ballots cast at such meeting, to amend its articles of association in any manner not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, and such amendment shall become operative when a copy of the same, duly certified by the presiding officer and clerk of such meeting, and acknowledged before any person authorized to take acknowledgment of deeds, shall be filed with the clerk of the county for record.

Sec. 4. At all meetings of said corporations, subsequent to the first, right to vote upon questions involving the acquirement and disposition of property and the expenditure of money shall be confined to adult members of the church so incorporated, and, if the articles of association so provide, those persons, being of legal age, who are regular contributors to its support: Provided, That if said church shall have suspended worship, the right to vote shall be determined as of the

date of such suspension.

SEC. 5. Notice of meetings of said corporation, specifying the time, place, and object thereof, shall be read from the pulpit on the two successive Sundays preceding such meeting on which services shall be held: Provided, however, That in case it is proposed to amend the articles of association, the proposed amendment, together with a notice of the meeting called for its consideration, shall be read from the pulpit on the three successive Sundays, immediately preceding such meeting on which services shall be held; and the proposed amendment shall not itself be amended, in any material point, in the meeting so called for its consideration: And provided further, That if there should be no public services at which the notice herein required may be given, said notice may be posted on the church door or published in the town, city or county newspaper whose circulation among the members is greatest, for three weeks preceding such meeting, specifying the time and place and object thereof.

Sec. 6. In the management of the secular affairs of the church so incorporated and of the business of said corporation, but subject always to its direction and control, the board of trustees thereof shall have and exercise all such powers of the board of directors of a business corporation as are appropriate to the purposes and business of a religious corporation: Provided, however, That said board of trustees shall not choose, call, settle or dismiss a pastor or fix his salary, or buy, sell, convey or incumber real estate or any right thereto or interest therein, unless instructed so to do by said corporation at a regularly called meeting: And provided further, That members of the board of trustees and such other officers as may be provided for in the articles of association shall be elected by ballot at a regularly called meeting of those entitled to vote under the articles of asso-

ciation

SEC. 7. Such corporation may have a seal and alter the same at will. It may, in its corporate name, sue and be sued in all courts of competent jurisdiction. Subject to the provisions of this act it shall have power to choose, call and settle a pastor and fix his salary; to elect trustees, treasurer and clerk and such other officers as may be provided for in its articles of association; to direct and control

their actions; to acquire, hold, manage, control, sell and convey property both real and personal; to hold and recover all debts, damages, rights, privileges and all property, real, personal or mixed of whatsoever nature they or it may be and in whosoever hands held, belong-ing or appertaining to said church or to the religious organization out of which it is incorporated or reincorporated the same is if the right and title to said property had originally been vested in said corporation. It may hold so much real estate as may be needed for the purpose of church building, parsonage and cemetery purposes and of any so-called institutional activities; it may also hold for a period not exceeding ten years, such real estate as may be conveyed or devised to it even though the same be not needed for the purposes above mentioned or be actually occupied by it in the exercise of its franchises: Provided, however, That all property of said corporation whether real, personal or mixed or whether held in fee or in trust and the income therefrom and the proceeds thereof when sold shall, subject to the terms of any trust or trusts relating thereto or to any part thereof, be held and used by said corporation for the benefit of said church as a Congregational religious organization, and for no other purpose whatsoever, except as provided in section eight of this act. Said corporation may and shall hold in perpetuity as a permanent fund all property given, bequeathed or devised to it or acquired by it for the purpose of an endowment, the income from which fund, subject to the terms of any specific trust or trusts relating thereto, or to any particular part thereof, may be used for any lawful purposes of said church or corporation: Provided, That as to real estate, said property, when so required by law, may be sold and the proceeds from such sale covered into said fund: And provided further, That said corporation, in the lawful administration of said fund, may sell any property therein and re-invest the proceeds of such sale in such securities and other property as shall be lawful investments for savings banks and trustees in this state, said property and securities when acquired, to become a part of the principal of said fund: And provided further, That none of the offerings of said church received or collected for missionary or benevolent purposes shall be used for the current running expenses of said church or corporation; nor shall any fund or funds, money or other property received, set aside, accumulated or acquired for a specific purpose be diverted to any other use without the consent of the donor or his duly authorized representative.

Sec. 8. In all cases where the property of any corporation subject to the provisions of this act has been abandoned, or is no longer used for the benefit of said corporation as a Congregational religious organization, or if said corporation has for a period of two years ceased to exercise its corporate functions, or to hold regular religious services, then, in any or all of such cases, the local association of churches with which it is, or has last been connected may, by resolution declare the said corporation extinct and may notify the Michigan Congregational Conference, a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of this state, of such resolution. Upon receiving such notice the said conference by its executive committee or such officer as said committee may designate, may apply to any court of equity jurisdiction in the county in which said property may be, for a decree, dissolving said corporation and vest-

ing the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Conference. The application for such decree shall contain a statement of the reasons for said action and there shall be annexed thereto a duly certified copy of the resolution of the local association of churches to which said corporation belonged, declaring said church extinct, as above provided. Upon the filing of said application an order shall be entered, requiring all persons interested in said corporation, to show cause if any they have why such corporation should not be dissolved, at some time and place to be therein specified, not less than four weeks from the date thereof. Notice of the contents of such order shall be published once in each week for three successive weeks in a newspaper published in said county, if any such there be, and if not, in such newspaper of general circulation in said county as the court may direct. On the day appointed in such order, or on any day to which the court may adjourn the proceedings, if it shall appear to the court that the facts set forth in said application are true, a decree shall be entered, dissolving said corporation and vesting the title to its property in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, and such corporation shall thereupon be dissolved and the title to its property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, which shall hold the said property, or the proceeds thereof if, in its judgment, it shall be deemed wise to sell it, in trust for two years and if, within said time, a Congregational church shall be incorporated under this act as the successor of the church so dissolved and shall be received in due form as a member of the local association to which the said church belonged at the time of its dissolution, it shall be the duty of the said Michigan Congregational Conference, on receiving satisfactory proof of said facts, to convey the said property or the proceeds thereof to the said church so incorporated which shall then be deemed to be in all respects the successor of the said church so dissolved, and shall succeed to all of its rights, privileges, property and obligations, except as above provided, as if said corporation had not been dissolved. But if no such church is so organized and incorporated, the absolute title to said property shall vest in the said Michigan Congregational Conference, subject to all trusts affecting the same in the hands of the dissolved corporation.

Sec. 9. Any church or religious organization, whether incorporated or un-incorporated, may, at a meeting duly called for the purpose, by a two-thirds vote of those persons present and voting, place itself under the provisions of this act, the same as if incorporated under it by adopting and filing articles of association as provided in sec-

tion two hereof.

SEC. 10. In all cases, whether in law or in equity, that may arise in any of the courts of the state, regarding churches incorporated under this act, or those which by vote shall have put themselves under its provisions, all other acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith shall be interpreted and construed in such manner as to give full force and effect to the provisions of this act.

In effect after August 15, 1913.

AN ACT to Provide for the Voluntary Dissolution of Ecclesiastical Societies Auxiliary to Congregational Churches, and for the Disposition of their Property, and to Repeal Act Number Fortyseven of the Public Acts of Nineteen Hundred One, Entitled, "An Act for the Consolidation in Congregational Churches of an Ecclesiastical Society with its Church".

Act 303, Public Acts of Michigan, 1913.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

SECTION 1. Whenever any Congregational church, in connection with which is an already incorporated religious or ecclesiastical society, at any regular or called meeting, shall express by ballot and by a twothirds' vote of its qualified members present and voting a desire to assume said corporate powers and the direction and control of its property and secular affairs, the trustees of said society, upon receiving official notification of the vote of said church, shall forthwith call a meeting of said society, of which meeting notice shall be given on three successive Sundays next preceding the date of said meeting, specifying the time, place and object thereof, to consider and vote upon the questions stated in section two hereof.

SEC. 2. At the meeting so called, the following question shall be

put to vote:

Shall the title to all the property of the (name of society) be vested in the Congregational church of.....

Michigan, and the said society be dissolved?

The vote shall be by ballot and if two-thirds of the ballots cast shall be in the affirmative, a duly certified copy of such resolution shall be transmitted to the clerk of the said church who shall call a meeting of the said church, which shall then prepare, execute and place on record, articles of association under and in accordance with the provisions of act number fifty-three of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, and the amendments thereto, or such other act as may hereafter supersede said act and upon recording said articles of association as provided in said act the said society shall be dissolved and all property owned by it shall pass to and be held by the said church so incorporated under the name and style adopted by it in the said articles of association, and all liabilities of said society shall be assumed and paid by said church.

SEC. 3. Act number forty-seven of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred one, entitled "An act for the consolidation in Congregational churches of an ecclesiastical society with its church," is hereby repealed: Provided, however, That notwithstanding the repeal thereof, all rights of every kind and nature now held or enjoyed under and by virtue thereof, are expressly preserved and shall continue unimpaired; and said act shall be deemed to be still in force for the enjoyment and protection of said rights but for no other purpose what-

soever.

In effect after August 15, 1913.

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

(As amended May 21, 1913.)

ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation shall be the Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Conference is and shall be, in general, the propagation of the religious faith and ecclesiastical polity of the Congregational Churches in connection with the said Conference, and with "The National Council of the Congregational Churches of the United States, and for the carrying out of this object, the reception, holding, investing, reinvesting and disbursement of such moneys and properties as may be given or bequeathed to it for any purposes within the scope of the Conference and more particularly the following:—

(1) The planting and nurturing of Sunday Schools of said faith and

order.

(2) The planting and aiding of churches of said faith and order.
(3) The helping of churches of said faith and order in erecting

houses of worship and parsonages.

(4) The careful oversight of the churches of said faith and order in conjunction with advisory committees chosen by the local associations of churches

(5) The relief of disabled ministers of said faith and order and of

their families.

- (6) The extension of Christianity in foreign lands; the furtherance of Christian education; and co-operation with all the benevolent interests of said faith and order.
- (7) The providing for the training and examination of such applicants for licensure and ordination within said faith and order as have not received the collegiate and seminary education.

(8) The providing a bureau of ministerial supply.(9) The collection and preservation of results of councils, and of records, minutes, books, etc., pertaining to churches and ministers of said faith and order.

(10) The doing of whatever else may foster the growth, or promote the welfare or the interests of said faith and order, not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Michigan or of the United States.

ARTICLE III.

Members.—Section 1. Every Congregational church connected with a local Association in this State is entitled to representation in this Conference by its pastor, if a member in regular standing in some local association in this State, and by one delegate to be chosen by such church annually.

SEC. 2. All officers of the Conference, all ministers in regular stand-

ing in any local Association in the State, and all who may be members of the Board of Trustees in regular standing during any part of the annual State meeting are entitled to membership in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

Meetings.—The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday in May, at 7:30 p. m.; if any exigency arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of the Conference, or a change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change of time or place of holding the annual meeting, by giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purposes.

ARTICLE V.

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VI.

Trustees.—The Board of Trustees of this Conference shall be composed of one representative from each local association of Congregational churches and ministers, one from each new association as formed, and six to be chosen from the state at large, provided that at least one-third of the entire number shall be laymen. They shall be elected by ballot on Wednesday, the second day of the meeting of the Conference. At the first election one-third shall be elected for a term of three years, one-third for two years and one-third for one year, and thereafter one-third for a term of three years and shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. No trustee shall be eligible for re-election after having served two consecutive terms until he shall have been out of office at least one year, it being construed that election for a portion of a term is equivalent to the full term. Said trustees shall annually elect ten members of their number as an Executive Committee, who shall have such power as may be vested in them by the Board of Trustees. The Board shall have power to fill vacancies in their membership until the next meeting of the Conference.

The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the property of the Conference, and shall transact either directly or through their Executive Committee, all of the affairs thereof, except as otherwise provided. They shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all the moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Congregational Conference and shall apply the same, or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said Conference, or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will, bequest or trust, in accordance with the laws of the State. The Trustees shall, by every means within their power, promote each and all of the objects of the Conference stated in Article II, and shall make annual report to the Conference of the administration of the funds, the work accomplished and the existing condition in each department of effort, and shall recommend such appropriation of moneys, the creation of such agencies and the initiation of such measures as in their judgment shall be best adapted to promote the interests of the said several departments. They shall carry into effect the action of the Conference upon their recommendations, but the appointment, oversight and control of all such agencies shall be vested in the Trustees and their Executive Committee, provided that any appointment of a superintendent shall be subject to confirmation of the Conference. A majority of the members elect of said Board shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII.

Said conference may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of \$100,000.00 to be devoted exclusively to the purposes set forth in Article II.

ARTICLE VIII.

These Articles may be amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, due notice having been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

ARTICLE IX.

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the twelfth day of May, A. D. 1886.

CONSTITUTION.

(As amended June 9, 1910.)

PREAMBLE.

The Michigan Congregational Conference in voluntary fellowship for the promotion of the Church of Christ through common consecration and co-operation, makes confession of its devout faith in one God, our Father in Heaven, who has manifested himself to the world in Jesus Christ, His Son, our Lord, and in living fellowship abides in His children through His Spirit, our guide and comforter; and, believing that the principles of the Congregational system of church government are best adapted to the promotion of the welfare of the Christian church, and believing, moreover, that the extension and efficiency of the system would be greatly promoted by organizing a general Conference of the Congregational churches and ministers of Michigan, we therefore, to form such a Conference adopt the following:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

Name.—This Ecclesiastical Organization shall be called The Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE II.

Object.-The object of this Conference shall be as stated in the Articles of Association. It will aim to promote Christian fellowship among its members; to obtain and disseminate information relative to the churches throughout the State, our country and the world; and by prayers, counsels and faithful efforts, to advance the cause of truth and holiness, but it shall exercise no ecclesiastical control or authority over the churches and ministers belonging to it.

ARTICLE III.

Membership.—Section 1. The membership of this Conference shall be set forth in the Articles of Association.

SEC. 2. Any member of full legal age of any Congregational church connected with a local association in the State shall be eligible to election to any office in the Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

Officers.—Section 1. The officers of this conference shall be a moderator, assistant moderator, scribe, and auditor, elected annually by ballot, and assistant scribe chosen viva voce at each meeting. There shall also

be a registrar and a treasurer elected triennially by ballot.

Duties of Officers.—Sec. 2. (1) The duties of moderator, assistant moderator, scribe and auditor shall be such as usually pertain to these

offices.

(2) It shall be the duty of the registrar to keep a true record of all meetings and transactions of the Conference; to give due notice of the meetings and transactions of the Conference; to give due notice of the time and place of each meeting; to furnish churches with schedules for annual reports; to receive and distribute all schedules of statistics, programs and year books; to superintend the publishing of the minutes, and such other printing connected with his department as the Conference may order. He shall furnish the Conference, the Board of Trustees, the Executive Committee, and the local associations any information required by them on all matters relating to his department. For these services he shall receive such compensation as the trustees shall direct.

(3) The registrar of each local association shall be requested by conference with the advisory committee of that association, or by correspondence with the churches, to gather and send to the registrar of this Conference, after the meeting of the local association next preceding the meeting of this Conference, such a statement of the facts regarding the progress of the churches and the methods of their life and work as he may be able to gather, and the registrar shall, from these statements and from other available sources, present to the Conference such a general view of methods, of efforts and of progress, or the contrary, as he shall judge best fitted to stimulate the life and work of the churches of the State.

(4) The treasurer shall receive all moneys, shall be the custodian of all funds, and shall disburse the same upon the order of the Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee. He shall make an annual report of his doings to the Conference, accompanied by the auditor's certificate of the correctness of his accounts. He shall also give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum as the Board of Trustees shall require and his compensation shall be determined by vote of the trustees.

ARTICLE V.

Meetings.-The annual meeting of this Conference shall be held at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meeting, and shall begin on the third Tuesday of May, at 7:30 p. m., and continue to such hour as the Business Committee may determine. If any exigency shall arise, which, in the unanimous opinion of the moderator, registrar and scribe, requires a special meeting of this body, or change in either the time or place of the annual meeting thereof, it shall be competent for these officers to call such special meeting, or to make such change upon giving thirty days' notice to the clerks of the churches and to the ministerial members. Notice of a special meeting must state its purpose.

ARTICLE VI.

Quorum.—Thirty-five members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII.

Trustees.—The number, method of election, powers and duties of the trustees shall be as prescribed in the articles of association of the Conference. They shall also have power to appoint, subject to the confirmation of the Conference, a Superintendent, who shall not be a member of the board, and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the board, but not for more than one year upon one appointment. The Board of Trustees or their Executive Committee shall also have power to fill any vacancy in

any of the offices or committees of the Conference until the next annual

meeting of the Conference.

It shall also be the function of this board to act as a consulting body and bureau of information in regard to all of the Congregational interests of the State; to co-operate with and supplement the work of the advisory committees in the local associations; to gather and keep on file all available information in regard to churches and ministers; to advise in matters submitted to them by the local associations their advisory or other committees, or by the churches and ministers; and in general, to unify and strengthen the churches, to elevate the standard of the ministry, and to promote the spirit of Christian fellowship. Provided, that in no way shall their action limit or interfere with the rights and liberties of the local churches.

It shall also be the duty of this board to keep in close touch with Christian institutions of learning, and to seek, by active measures, to inspire and promote to our churches, schools and homes, the gathering of

worthy and competent recruits for the ministry.

ARTICLE VIII.

Superintendent.-A superintendent shall be appointed by the Trustees, at their meeting next preceding the annual meeting of the Conference, and subject to confirmation by the Conference, who shall have general oversight and direction of the work in the State, modified and restricted only by the powers given to the Trustees or their Executive Committee and such rules as they may adopt. The superintendent shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Trustees, subject to the approval of the Conference.

ARTICLE IX.

Committees. - Section 1. There shall be elected a Business Committee of six, three of whom shall serve for two years, three for one year, and thereafter three shall be chosen annually for a term of two years. One of the committee shall be the minister of the church with which the Conference votes next to meet. It shall be the duty of this Committee to arrange for and prepare a program and order of business for all meetings to be held by the Conference, and place a docket of the same in the hands of the moderator. Any member may introduce items of business but all business not previously submitted to the Business Committee shall be referred to this committee to be reported on before final adjournment

SEC. 2. There shall be a Nominating Committee of four, to be elected by ballot, two to serve two years, two to serve one year, and thereafter two to be chosen annually for a term of two years, whose duty it shall be to make all nominations not otherwise provided for, and to keep a record of all the nominations confirmed by the Conference in a book to

be provided by the registrar.

SEC. 3. An Obituary Committee of three shall be chosen annually, who shall make a fit report to this Conference of the service of those ministers who at their death were, or long had been, members of the body, and such lay members who had rendered conspicuous service to our churches.

SEC. 4. Such other committees as may be needed shall be appointed by the Conference or by the Board of Trustees, and any member of full legal age of any Congregational church within the State shall be eligible for such service.

ARTICLE X.

National Council.—This Conference appreciating the fellowship of the churches, and the need of comprehensive plans for advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom, will be represented by delegates in the National Council of Congregational Churches.

ARTICLE XI.

Amendments.—This constitution may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Conference by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice shall have been given at the previous annual meeting, designating the subject and article to be affected.

BY-LAWS.

1. Organization.—The annual meeting shall be opened by the moderator or assistant, or, in their absence, the registrar or the minister of the church with which the Conference meets shall call the members to order, and shall preside until a moderator pro tem is chosen. Wednesday morning the Conference shall be organized by making a role of members and electing scribes for the meeting. The moderator and assistant moderator shall be elected on the last day of the meeting and shall serve through the year and until their successors are elected.

2. Roll.—On the first evening of the meeting the registrar shall circulate and collect cards on which the ministers and delegates entitled to membership shall write their names, together with the names, respectively of their church and local associations. The registrar shall, from

these cards, complete the roll and report such early the next day.

3. Advisory Members.—Only the business committee shall propose

the names of advisory members.

4. Conduct of Business.—(1) Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer. The minutes shall be read for approval on the morning of each day and at the close of the meeting.
(2) The usage of like deliberative bodies shall be observed in the

conduct of business, except as otherwise provided.

(3) When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be received except for adjournment, amendment, postponement, commitment division of the question, yeas and nays, or the previous question, viz.: SHALL THE MAIN QUESTION NOW BE PUT? and these motions, except for amendment, shall not be debated.

(4) In debate, no member, without leave of the body, shall speak more than ten minutes, nor more than once while others wish to occupy

the floor.

5. Apportionment.—It is recommended that each local association pay, through its registrar to the treasurer of this Conference, at its annual meeting, whatever money may remain unpaid, of the amount apportioned to the churches of such association.

6. Committees.-Members of committees holding over from year to

year shall be ex officio members of the Conference during their term of office.
7. Delegates to the National Council.—At each meeting of this Conference previous to a National Council, and on the third day of the meeting, delegates and alternates, half of each to be laymen, shall be chosen by ballot to represent the churches of this state in the next National Council. Vacancies that occur in the delegation may be filled by the business committee; but, in case this committee fail to appoint, the vacancies shall be filled by the delegation present at the session of the Council. And it shall be the duty of any delegate who may not be able to attend said Council, to notify, at his earliest convenience, the person first named on the business committee.

8. Roll to be Furnished Nominating Committee.—It shall be the duty of the registrar, early in the session of the body, to furnish the nominat-

ing committee a copy of the roll of members.

9. The fiscal year of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall begin on the first day of January and shall coincide with the calendar year. Provided, however, that this by-law shall not be understood to affect in any manner the tme of holding the annual meeting, or of the election of officers, or of the beginning or ending of the term for which officers are elected.

10. Suspension of Rules .- Any of these rules, except the eleventh. may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

11. Amendment of Rules .- Any motion to amend or repeal any rule of this body may be read on two different days, and may be debated at each reading. At the first reading the question shall be: SHALL IT BE READ A SECOND TIME.

RESOLUTION.

Resolution adopted at the annual meeting May 19-20, 1909: the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees be held as a stated policy on the opening day of the meeting of the State Conference for consultation and for action upon such matters as shall require attention.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association and the Constitution of the Michigan Congregational Conference it is recommended to the churches and local associations that provision be made for the appointment of local advisory committees in the associations to act in conjunction with the trustees of the state body; it is also recommended that provisions be made according to specifications given herewith for the examination licensure and ordination of candidates for the ministry.

These recommendations pertain first to the appointment of local

association advisory committees. It is recommended:

I. That each local association appoint a committee to be called the Advisory Committee, consisting of five members, of which the Moderator and Registrar of the association shall be members ex officiis, and three other members, to be elected at the annual meeting, as follows: At the first election one member to be elected for one year, one for two years and one for three years; and thereafter one to be elected each year to serve three years. It is urged that special care be taken to secure the most competent membership for the Committee.

II. The functions of this Committee to be—1. To know the churches and ministers within the bounds of the association, their character, needs, and conditions, and to keep a record of the same corrected to date and filed with the registrar.

2. To hold itself in readiness at all times to assist, inform, advise, and suggest, upon request, in cases where a change of pastorate, the organization of a church, the consolidation of fields or other exigencies affecting the common welfare of our churches, may call for such action.

3. To be in active and constant communication with the Board of

Trustees of the State Conference; filing with it its local information; gathering from its larger files wider information; reporting to it at once any changes in fields or men; making investigation at its request, and aiding in all possible ways its effort to know Congregational life.

4. To act in conjunction with the pastor of the church where a meeting of the association is to be held, as the program committee; with a view to suggesting, from its knowledge of the field, vital and practical topics, presenting plans of progress or extension, and increasing the interest among both clerical and lay members of our churches, in the meetings and work of the association.

5. To be the Missionary Committee of the association.

These recommendations pertain second, to ordination and examina-

tion on the Course of Study.

I. Inasmuch as under our present system ministerial standing vests in the local association, it is recommended that to the same body be accorded the function of passing, after due examination, upon the credentials and fitness of candidates for ordination. It is suggested that the procedure be as follows:

1. A church seeking to induct into its pastorate a man who has not been ordained, may present the candidate for examination at a meeting of the local association with which the church is connected; notice of such intention having been previously given to the Registrar and printed on the program of the association meeting.

2. The said association to examine the candidate thus presented in regard to his intellectual, moral and spiritual fitness for the ministry, and if approved, to present a certificate of such approval to him and to the church presenting him.

3. Upon the basis of such certificate the church to proceed, either then or thereafter; to the ordination of the candidate through a council of fellowship; the same being either the association or a group of

churches elected by the church and the candidate.

II. Inasmuch as this Conference has provided a course of study for those applicants for ordination who have not received collegiate and seminary education, it is recommended that, for the sake of uniformity, the examination of candidates on this course of study be conducted by a committee of the State Conference; and that the certificate of said committee that he has completed this course satisfactorily shall be required in all such cases by the local associations before it proceeds to his examination for ordination.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING MAY 16-18, 1911.

That the Committee on examination and Course of Study be instructed to hold the examination of licentiates on the opening day of the Conference.

COURSE OF STUDY.

Resolutions adopted at the annual meeting May 18-20, 1909: We endorse the resolution from your Committee on Examination and Course of Study that all Licentiates appear for examination at the annual meeting of the Conference before the Central Committee. We further recommend that such Licentiates be enrolled as First Year, Second Year, Third Year candidates as the case may be, and that they be held to the Course of Study in such a way that it may be completed within the prescribed period.

The course is divided into two parts, covering topics of examination and books for reading. It is arranged for three periods of one year

each.

FIRST YEAR.

Study Course.—Scott & Denney's Elementary English Composition; Willett & Campbell's The Teachings of the Books; Gilbert's Student's Life of Jesus; Kent's History of the Hebrew People, Vols. 1 and 2;

Dexter's Story of the Pilgrims; A Written Sermon.

Reading Course.—Beecher's Yale Lectures on Preaching; Butterfield's Chapters in Rural Progress; Lawrence's How to Conduct a Sunday School; Gladden's The Church and Modern Life; Crooker's The Church of Today; Dewhurst's The Investment of Truth.

SECOND YEAR.

Study Course:-Steven's Biblical Theology of New Testament; Kautszch's History of the Literature of the Old Testament; Kent's History of the Jewish People, Vols. 3 and 4; Clark's An Outline of Christian Theology, Part I-III; Fisher's History of the Christian Church to the Modern Era; Essay Covering Rauschenbusch's "Christianity and the Social Crisis.'

Reading Course.-Mead's Modern Methods in Church Work; Davenpart's Primitive Traits in Religious Revivals; Gordon's Through Man to God; Leonard's One Hundred Years of Missions.

THIRD YEAR.

Study Course.—Matthew's History of the Old Testament Times; Piepenbring's Theology of Old Testament; Clarke's An Outline of Christian Theology, Part IV-VI; Fisher's History of the Christian Church from the Modern Era; Dunning's Congregationalism in America; Essay on the History of the Doctrine of the Atonement.

Reading Course.-Munger's Life of Bushnell; Nash's Genesis of the Social Conscience; King's The Seeming Unreality of the Spiritual Life;

Coe's The Spiritual Life; Hamlin's Life and Times.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Seventy-second Annual Meeting with First Congregational Church in Cadillac, May 20-22, 1913.

PROGRAM.

General Theme: The Church of God in the Life of Today.

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 20.

Annual Meeting of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood. President S. E. Clark, Presiding.

Brotherhood Banquet. Business Meeting.

Report of the President.

Michigan Congregational Extension Fund—Supt. J. W. Sutherland. Duties of Association Vice Presidents—Rev. I. W. Stuart. What the Brotherhood Can Do for the Local Minister—Rev. James

Stereopticon Lecture on History of Congregationalism-Rev. E. W. Bishop.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 21.

8:30-Business Session.

Organization.

Report of Registrar on the State of the Churches.

Report of Superintendent.

Report of Treasurer.

Report of Board of Trustees.

Report of Committees.

Election of Trustees.

10:00—Devotional Service—The Spiritual in the Life of Today—Rev. J. P. Huget.

10:30—What the Church Is—Rev. James Hyslop. 11:00—General Discussion, led by Rev. Matthew Mullen.

11:30-Children's Choir in Church and Community Life-Prof. H. A. Smith, Chicago Theological Seminary.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 21.

2:00-Business.

Report of Committees.

2:30-Devotional Service-The Immediacy of God-Rev. J. H. Ashby.

3:00—The Local Church Organized for Efficiency—Rev. F. M. Sheldon. 3:30—The Church Working Through the Sunday School—Rev. Robert W. Gammon, District Secretary C. S. S. & P. S.

4:00 General Discussion, led by Rev. W. A. Hutchinson.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 21.

7:30-Address-Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, Moderator National Council.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 22.

8:30-Business Session.

Election of Moderator and Assistant Moderator. Other Business.

9:00-Devotional Service-Prayer on Behalf of the Churches of Michi-

gan-Rev. C. E. Taggart. 9:30-Annual Meeting of the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

10:00—Conservation and Extension of Congregationalism in Michigan.
Where Lumbering is the Vocation and Farming the Avocation-Rev. C. J. Strang.

Extension Program of the Rural Church—Rev. R. T. Caldwell. The Redemption of a Small City Church-Rev. John Lam-

The Basis of the Church's Appeal to the Community—Rev. W. S. Steensma.

The Home Study Department as a Feeder of the Church—State Sunday School Missionary Rev. F. W. Sass.
Signs of Progress on the Home Missionary Field—State Mis-

sionary C. H. Harger.

Greetings from the Sisterhood-Mrs. C. W. Wagner, President Woman's Home Missionary Union of Michigan,

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 22.

2:00-Business Session.

Report of Committee on Examination and Course of Study-Rev. F. H. Foster.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Relief-Rev. A. H. Stone-

Report from Educational Institutions:

Olivet College.

Benzonia Academy. Chicago Theological Seminary.

3:00-Devotional Service-The Sources of Moral Vision and Power-

Rev. O. L. Morris. 3:30—The Church Meeting New Civic and Social Conditions—Prof. H. A. Miller, Olivet College.

4:00—General Discussion, led by Rev. L. K. Long. 4:30—The Hymn Book as a Wonder Tale (with the interpolation of hymn singing)—Prof. H. A. Smith.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 22.

7:30-Sermon-The Gospel of Courage-Rev. W. J. Campbell. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper-Rev. H. A. Putnam, Rev. J. W. Sutherland. Offering for Ministerial Relief Fund.

MINUTES.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 21, 1913.

The seventy-second meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference convened Wednesday morning, May 21, 1913, at 8:30 o'clock in the First Congregational Church of Cadillac, the Moderator, Rev. I. W. Stuart of Alpena presiding. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. P. Huget of Detroit. The Moderator announced that a quorum was present and the Conference proceeded to the business of the day. The membership roll was made out as follows:

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Ministerial Member—Henry P. Collin.

F. E. Bogart, Detroit, Mich. C. C. Vaughan, St. Johns, Mich. Mrs. L. P. Haight, Muskegon.

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Mrs. Sam Johnson, Reed City, Mich.

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Rev. John Lambrecht of Port Huron, was elected Scribe, and Rev. A. J. Blair, Jackson, Assistant Scribe.

Rev. A. S. Donat, pastor of the Cadillac church, welcomed the Conference and presented the Moderator with a gavel.

Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, Moderator of the National Council, was made an Advisory Member.

The program as printed was adopted.

The annual report on the state of the churches was read by the Acting Registrar, Rev. J. W. Sutherland. It was accepted and ordered printed in the minutes. (Document A.)

The annual report of the Superintendent was read by Rev. J. W. Sutherland. It was accepted and ordered printed in the minutes. (Document B.)

The annual report of the Treasurer in printed form, was presented by Acting Treasurer Rev. J. W. Sutherland. It was accepted and ordered printed in the minutes. (Document C.)

The annual report of the Board of Trustees was read by

Rev. Bastian Smits. The report with its resolutions was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes. (Document D.)

The report of the Industrial Committee was read by Rev. H. P. Collin. It was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes. (Document E.)

The Nominating Committee presented the following names for the Committee on Resolutions and they were elected: Rev. M. Lee Grant, Rev. Demas Cochlin, Rev. G. R. Catton.

The report of the Committee on Necrology was read by Rev. Henry W. Hunt. The report was accepted.

The Business Committee recommended that the time for business be extended ten minutes. The recommendation was adopted.

In accordance with the notice given at the last annual meeting, Mr. F. E. Bogart presented the following recommendation from the Board of Trustees: That in order to secure a sufficient number of trustees within a convenient distance of Lansing from whom there may be chosen an Executive Committee of ten members whose presence may usually be counted on at the meetings of the Executive Committee, Article VI, Paragraph 1, of the Articles of Association, be amended by substituting the word six for the word four in the fourth line of the first sentence as printed in the state minutes of 1911, page 13, so as to read, "The Board of Trustees of this Conference shall be composed of one representative from each local association of Congregational churches and ministers, one from each new association as formed, and six to be chosen from the state at large, provided that at least one-third of the entire number shall be laymen." The recommendation was adopted and the Articles of Association were amended.

The Nominating Committee presented the following nominations for trustees:

For three years:

Cheboygan Association-Rev. C. E. Taggart.

Grand Traverse Association-Rev. Demas Cochlin.

Lansing Association-Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft.

Southern Association-Mr. C. B. Stowell.

Lake Superior-Rev. L. K. Long.

For one year to fill vacancy:

Eastern Association-Rev. John Lambrecht.

Members at large for three years—Rev. Bastian Smits, Rev. J. P. Huget, Mr. E. B. Perry.

For one year to fill vacancy-Mrs. C. W. Wagner.

The report was adopted.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. P. Huget. He spoke on the topic, "The Spiritual in the Life of Today."

A vocal solo was rendered by Mr. W. A. Merrill of Cadillac. Rev. James Hyslop of Hudson, read a paper on the subject, "What the Church Is." Discussion was led by Rev. Matthew Mullen.

Prof. H. A. Smith of Chicago Theological Seminary spoke on "The Children's Choir in the Church and Community Life."

Superintendent Sutherland read a letter from Rev. W. H. Warren expressing his regret at not being able to attend the Conference on account of sickness. A message of sympathy and love was sent to Dr. Warren by the Conference.

The morning session closed with prayer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 21.

The Conference was called to order at 2 o'clock, Rev. Mac H. Wallace presiding.

The Resolution Committee presented a resolution regarding the work of the Anti-Saloon League. The resolution was adopted. (Document I.)

Rev. J. F. Burke, Superintendent of the Michigan Anti-Saloon League, addressed the Conference.

The report of the Committee on Examination and Course of Study was presented by Prof. Frank H. Foster. The report with resolution was adopted. (Document F.) Prof.

Foster addressed the graduating class and presented to them certificates of graduation.

Prof. H. A. Smith spoke on "Hymnody of the Sunday School."

On request Prof. N. Cawthorne of Port Huron, rendered an organ selection.

Rev. F. M. Sheldon spoke on "The Local Church Organized for Efficiency."

Mrs. R. L. Seeley rendered a vocal solo, "My Soul Doth Wait."

Rev. R. W. Gammon, District Secretary of the C. S. S. & P. S., gave an address on "The Church Working Through the Sunday School." Rev. W. A. Hutchinson led in discussion.

After prayer the session adjourned.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 21.

The session opened at 7:30 o'clock with Moderator Rev. I. W. Stuart in the chair. After devotional services the Moderator introduced Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, Moderator of the National Council, who addressed the Conference on "The New Congregationalism."

The service closed with benediction by Rev. Nehemiah Boynton.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 22.

The Conference convened at 8:30 o'clock with Moderator Rev. I. W. Stuart in the chair. Rev. E. W. Bishop led in prayer. The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. Harlow S. Mills was nominated for Moderator for the ensuing year. On motion the Scribe was instructed to cast the ballot for Mr. Mills. Rev. Holden A. Putnam was elected Assistant Moderator.

Superintendent J. W. Sutherland made a brief verbal report for the Committee on Interdenominational Comity.

The report for the Education Committee was presented by Rev. J. P. Huget and it was adopted. (Document G.)

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. E. Taggart of Charlevoix.

The Nominating Committee presented the following nominations which were adopted:

Treasurer Michigan Congregational Conference—L. P. Haight.

Nominating Committee for two years—Revs. Charles O. Grieshaber and Victor F. Brown.

Business Committee for two years—Revs. E. W. Bishop, F. M. Sheldon, N. S. Bradley.

Necrology—Revs. H. W. Hunt, W. S. Steensma, Charles J. Dole.

Trustees Anti-Saloon League—Mr. Jason E. Hammond, Perry L. Powers and Rev. Samuel T. Morris.

Increased Efficiency in Church Work—Revs. James S. Williamson, Demas Cochlin, H. S. Mills.

Interdenominational Comity—Revs. J. W. Sutherland, M. J. Sweet, J. P. Huget.

Industrial Committee—Revs. L. K. Long, I. W. Stuart, W. J. Campbell.

Delegates to National Council—Rev. J. W. Sutherland, Rev. A. S. Donat, Mr. F. E. Bogart, Mr. E. K. Warren.

Alternates—Rev. I. W. Stuart, Rev. L. K. Long, Mr. S. O. Livingstone, Mr. E. B. Perry.

The Conference adjourned at 9:30 o'clock for the annual meeting of the Home Missionary Society.

The Conference reconvened at 10 o'clock with Rev. H. A. Putnam in the chair.

Under the general head of Conservation and Extension of Congregationalism in Michigan, the following topics were presented:

Where Lumbering is the Vocation and Farming the Avocation—Rev. C. J. Strang.

Extension Program of the Rural Church—Rev. R. T. Caldwell.

The Redemption of a Small City Church—Rev. John Lambrecht.

The Basis of the Church's Appeal to the Community—Rev. W. S. Steensma.

The Home Study Department as a Feeder of the Church—State Sunday School Missionary Rev. F. W. Sass.

Signs of progress on the Home Missionary Field—State Missionary C. H. Harger.

Rev. F. M. Sheldon of Ann Arbor, spoke on the work of a Student Pastor at the State University.

After prayer the Conference adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 22.

The Conference was called to order at 2 o'clock by the Moderator. After singing a hymn, Rev. St. Clare Parsons led in prayer.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Relief was presented by Rev. A. H. Stoneman and it was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes. (Document H.)

Mrs. C. D. Burrett addressed the Conference in the interest of the State Conference of Corrections and Charities.

Pres. E. G. Lancaster reported for Olivet College. The report was adopted. Hon. Perry F. Powers also addressed the Conference in the interest of Olivet College.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted. (Document I.)

Deacon George M. Lane of First Church, Detroit, was introduced and briefly addressed the Conference.

Rev. N. L. Otis of Butternut, was introduced to the Conference as the oldest active pastor.

An invitation to entertain the Conference at its next session was received from Park Church, Grand Rapids, and the invitation was accepted.

In answer to numerous requests Rev. E. W. Bishop offered to prepare slides and typewritten copy of his illustrated lecture on the History of Congregationalism, and to place the same in the keeping of the Lansing office for the service of the churches, the expense of preparing the slides to be paid by the Conference. The offer was accepted.

The State Executive Committee was instructed to prepare a set of slides with typewritten copy, illustrating Michigan Congregationalism, the same to be kept at the Lansing office for the service of the churches.

Principal G. R. Catton reported on the condition of Benzonia Academy, and the report was adopted.

Rev. J. P. Huget reported for the Chicago Seminary and the report was adopted. (Document J.)

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. O. L. Morris who spoke on "The Sources of Moral Vision and Power."

An address was delivered by Prof. H. A. Miller on "The Church Meeting New Civic and Social Conditions." The discussion was led by Rev. L. K. Long.

Prof. H. A. Smith spoke on "The Hymn Book as a Wonder Tale."

The question of pooling expenses for both ministers and delegates was referred to the Committee on Increased Efficiency in Church Work, and the Lansing office was instructed to mail the report of the committee to the ministers and churches in advance of the next annual meeting.

The Conference adjourned with benediction by Rev. F. M. Chapin.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 22.

The closing session of the conference convened by the Moderator at 7:30 o'clock. After devotional services the retiring Moderator, Rev. I. W. Stuart, introduced Rev. Harlow S. Mills as the Moderator for the ensuing year and transferred to him the gavel as the symbol of his office.

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. W. J. Campbell, the theme being "The Gospel of Courage."

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Rev. H. A. Putnam and Rev. J. W. Sutherland. An offering for Ministerial Relief was received consisting of \$19.61.

The Conference adjourned. Benediction by Rev. Harlow S. Mills.

I. W. STUART, Moderator.JOHN LAMBRECHT, Scribe.A. J. BLAIR, Assistant Scribe.

[Document A.]

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

Before our present state polity was adopted, practically all information regarding the condition of the churches was contained in the report of the registrar. But under the new regime, affairs of administration have occupied so large a place in the reports of the trustees and the superintendent as to narrow greatly the scope of the registrar's report, confining it almost entirely to an analysis of church activities and an exhibit of church statistics. This information as gathered from the annual church letters will be presented

as briefly as possible.

Evidently a large majority of our pastors believe the day of the old evangelism is passed. Very few revival meetings under the leadership of professional evangelists are reported. This is not to be construed as indicating a spiritual decline, but rather as a change of method adapted to the changing order of the day. The pastors are becoming more and more their own evangelists, sowing the seed in the regular services of the church and Sunday school, and in personal interviews, and gathering in the harvest at almost every communion season throughout the year, with large classes on Easter. While this state of affairs characterizes the really vital churches in the state, we cannot lose sight of the fact that in nearly one-third of our Michigan churches there were no additions whatever, and in nearly one-half of them there were no additions on confession of faith. What was the trouble with these churches? Each church had a reason to give satisfactory to itself. But the underlying cause of their infertility may be found in an anemic and helpless condition growing largely out of their sense of isolation and lack of fellowship. If this condition is to be improved greatly, the churches that are strong must find some more efficient way of expressing their fellowship with, and in bearing the burdens of, the churches that are weak.

The following list embraces some of the more pronounced activities of the year: The organization of boys', children's and youths' vested choirs, the organization of Sunday school classes into clubs, the organization of Brotherhoods and Boy Scouts, the creation of play-grounds, an increasing provision for socials, the adoption of graded Sunday school lessons, the consideration of civic and social questions, the improvement of church and parsonage property, the adoption of better financial plans, an increasing interest in the apportionment plan with larger gifts for benevolence, a stronger emphasis upon Lenten and Passion week services, and largely increased morning con-

gregations with a new sense of the value of public worship.

The pastoral changes have not been as many as usual. This is specially noticeable in the Home Missionary field and is cause for rejoicing, for short pastorates are, as a rule, demoralizing to both pastors and churches. Our exchange of pastors with other states has also been much smaller than usual. Four pastors have gone from us: K. O. Thompson to Ohio, W. B. Forbush to Pennsylvania, W. B. Dickinson to New York, T. C. Williams to South Dakota. In return we have received seven pastors: From Ohio, Jonathan Turner, Marion

Snook, A. B. Eby; from Illinois, J. F. Bacon, J. S. Hamilton, Augustine Jones, and from Wisconsin, F. M. Sheldon.

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In material improvements we note new parsonages at Wyandotte, Grandville, Grass Lake, Vicksburg, Durand and Ovid; new church buildings at Smith Memorial, Grand Rapids, and buildings under construction at Atlanta, Benton Harbor and Boulevard, Detroit; new organs and substantial improvements at Park Church, Grand Rapids, Manistee, St. Joseph, and Pontiac, with improvements of a less expensive character in many places. Seven churches have received legacies: Fayette, \$100; Hopkins, 2nd, \$100; Athens, \$100; Butternut, \$335; St. Joseph, \$1,000; Watervliet, \$1,500; Port Huron 1st, \$6,000, total \$9135

Thirteen churches have been dropped from the roll; Canandaigua, Ceresco, Cleon and Marilla, Copemish, Eastmanville, Hubbardston, Iroquois, Mio, Oakwood, Potterville, Trout Creek, Warren, Westville. Cleon and Marilla, and Copemish were transferred to the M. E. church in an exchange dictated by the spirit of Federation which gave to each denomination an undisputed territory with ample room for development. Trout Creek was surrendered to the Presbyterians who bought our church building. The other churches had been in a dormant condition for years with practically no membership or constituency and had no justification for continued existence. Three churches have been added to the roll, Champion Hill, which came to us by transfer from the M. E. church as a part of the Federation exchange, Oakwood, Detroit, developed out of a branch Sunday school maintained for years by Fort Street church, and Comstock Park, Grand Rapids, a child of the Second church. The total membership of these three churches is twice as large as the membership of the

thirteen churches which were dropped from the roll. In the realm of statistics we find cause for encouragement. churches are giving to all seven of the benevolent societies. The gifts credited to the apportionment exceed the gifts of the previous year by \$698. The total amount of benevolence, including gifts to other Congregational causes, exceeds the total of the previous year by \$5,330. More money has been contributed for home expenses. The average ministerial salary has been advanced to \$930. The value of church property has increased \$97,000, while the increase in debt has been only \$6,600. Vital statistics also indicate an advance. Additions were, on confession 1,550, by letter 1,125, total 2,675. Removals by death were 456, by letter 949, and by revision the unusually large number 1,339. Notwithstanding this wholesale purging of the roll both of churches and members, the total membership shows a loss of only 69. A decline in the Y. P. S. C. E. which has been going on steadily since 1897 has continued with a loss of five societies and 286 members. On the other hand the number of men's organizations has increased from 47 to 64 with a gain in membership of 789. Still better is the showing for the Sunday schools. Comstock Park and Oakwood with a combined membership of 191 were listed in our last minutes among the branch Sunday schools. This year they appear among the churches. Notwithstanding this loss of 191 the Branch and Mission Sunday schools show a gain over the previous year of 99. The total gain for the year in Sunday school enrollment is 1,874. It is worthy of note that two-thirds of this gain has been made on the Home Missionary field.

In closing this report it will be interesting to make a brief comparative survey. Our largest enrollment of churches was in 1897 when 347 churches were reported with a membership of 31,622. new state polity went into effect in 1906. At that time there were enrolled 336 churches with a membership of 32,403. During these seven years ten churches have been organized and 36 churches have been dropped from the roll, leaving 310 churches at the beginning of A superficial view would give the impression that we have been steadily losing ground; but the membership of the 310 churches is 156 larger than the membership of the 336 churches. We have fewer churches, but our churches have larger membership and greater strength and efficiency. Our largest Sunday school enrollment was in 1892 when 42,684 members were reported. Steadily, year by year, with only four exceptions, that number has declined. In 1906 it has fallen to 36,803 showing a loss of 5,881 in eight years. It continued to drop until there had been registered a total loss of 8,792. The decline was arrested a year ago and a gain registered of 120. During the past year the gain has been 1,874. At the beginning of the current year we were about 900 short of our 1906 enrollment, but the tide had turned and was setting strongly in the opposite direction. This loss of churches and Sunday school members was due largely to reactionary influences growing out of the waning of the lumber industry in many parts of our state. This unsettled condition has been a potent factor in determining the character of the state work during the last seven years. It has been largely a work of readjustment. Now that we are coming into more settled conditions let us hope that the work of readjustment will be followed by a constructive work that will develop many strong churches to serve and bless the Michigan that is and the Michigan that is to be.

J. W. SUTHERLAND, Acting Registrar.

[Document B.]

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

A BUSY YEAR.

The past year has been an unusually busy and burdensome year for the superintendent. In addition to his usual work he has been called upon to edit and publish a monthly News Bulletin; to carry out all the details of the Apportionment Plan for each church in the state, a work which was formerly done by the local associations; to put into effect the action of the Conference at its last meeting in requiring, as a condition of granting home missionary aid, that the property of church and parsonage be secured by deed or otherwise to the Conference; to work out, in connection with the committee on legislation, the details, and to secure the passage of, new bills for The Organization of Congregational Churches and for The Consolidation of Congregational Churches with their Societies; and, since September 10, to discharge all the duties pertaining to the office of State Registrar and State Treasurer. All this extra work has taxed the superintendent's time and strength to the last degree, but he is glad to report that he has not lost a day nor an hour by illness.

EFFICIENT FIELD FORCE.

The exigency in the office has made it impossible for the superintendent to give as much time as usual to field work. He has done about one-third less than his normal amount of traveling and has attended only about half the meetings of the local associations. He has not failed, however, to keep closely in touch with the work, both by correspondence, and by the invaluable aid of his two helpers on the field, Messrs. Harger and Sass. Rev. C. H. Harger after serving most efficiently as Sunday school missionary for four years, assumed on January 1, the duties of general missionary. By his sympathy, wise counsel and tireless cooperation in helping the weak churches to solve their various and perplexing problems, he is rendering a large service to our fellowship. He has influenced many churches to adopt up-to-date financial plans, and by his personal successful canvass for funds, has surprised them with the financial possibilities of their He has helped not a few disheartened churches to secure and support pastors and to cooperate with them heartily in constructive work. Mr. Harger is also rendering valuable service to the Conference in looking after the property interests of dormant and dying churches. The money he has secured to the Conference from these sources has more than paid his salary. On January 1, Rev. F. W. Sass entered upon his duties as Sunday school missionary. In the few months he has occupied that position he has been incessant in labors and is giving proof of his ability to do on a large scale the same kind of constructive work that characterized him as a pastor.

NEWS BULLETIN.

The News Bulletin which has been issued monthly since September has met with general and enthusiastic favor. Words of appreciation have been received after each issue and new names for the mailing list are coming in daily. The numerous timely items presented in condensed form have caught the eye of many busy people and have quickened their interest in various departments of our work. The cost of publication is a good investment.

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS.

The local associations are all showing a disposition to work in entire harmony with the state conference. The fourteen licentiates who were recommended by the state committee on examination and course of study, were all examined and duly ordained by their respective local associations. The action of the conference recommending that each local association authorize the advisory committee to issue in the interim of its meetings, at its discretion, a license to unordained pastors upon the recommendation of the state superintendent, said license to expire at the next meeting of the local association, was duly considered and approved by each local association.

COUNTRY PASTORS' INSTITUTE.

The Country Pastors' Institute has come to be regarded by many of our rural and village pastors and licentiates as a regular feature

of our state work. It furnishes at small cost a splendid opportunity for fellowship and for valuable training along practical lines which should add greatly to the efficiency of the pastors for whom the institute is designed. An unforseen combination of circumstances made it seem wise to postpone the institute which had been announced for Olivet, April 9-16. It is hoped that the institute may be held under favorable conditions in the fall, which would seem to be a more opportune time, before the work of the winter has begun and when it would not interfere with attendance upon the annual state meeting. In order to place the institute upon a firmer basis and secure for it larger cooperation and greater efficiency, the executive committee of the board of trustees has requested the committee on education to take it under its care.

HOME MISSIONS CAMPAIGN.

The home missions campaign culminating in home mission week November 17-24, though not carried on with concerted action in all parts of the state was, nevertheless, prosecuted with vigor by some of our local associations and by a considerable number of our churches. In the Eastern Association, Secretary C. C. Merrill of the National Apportionment Plan Commission, cooperated with the pastors in visiting every church in the association. In other associations there was a general exchange of pulpits. In these visits emphasis was laid upon the work of our benevolent societies and the wisdom of adopting the apportionment plan. The results of the campaign cannot be tabulated but they can be felt.

HOME MISSIONARY FIELD.

In the home missionary field there have been employed for the whole or part of the year 66 missionaries who have supplied 106 churches and out-stations, rendering a total of 632 months' service. Thirty missionary pastors have ministered to a single congregation and 36 have ministered to two or more congregations. Seven churches have assumed self-support: Durand, East Lansing, Freeland, Hersey, Prattville, Saranac and Williamston. In addition to assuming selfsupport, Durand has purchased a parsonage. Seven years ago the home missionary board proposed to increase the grant to Durand provided it would make needed repairs on the church building and then at the earliest date secure a parsonage. A similar proposition was made to the church at Saranac. Both churches have fulfilled their promise and are much stronger today because they have co-operated with the home missionary society in carrying out this pro-gram. East Lansing after receiving aid four years, during which time it has built and largely paid for its church building, assumed self support on a budget of \$3500. It has also voluntarily increased the amount of its benevolence apportionment. Freeland has doubled its benevolences and reports it is easier to raise the pastor's salary as a self-supporting church than it was as a Home Missionary church. Encouraging reports also come from the other churches that have assumed self-support. Special mention should be made of the work of the larger Benzonia Parish. Under the direction of pastors Mills and Holman it has developed to such an extent that a second assistant is required for the field. A church has been organized at Eden with nearly 50 members. The resources on the field have been developed to such an extent that very little additional home missionary money will be needed to pay the salary of the second assistant.

MINISTERIAL BUREAU.

The work of finding a sufficient number of ministers, well qualified and available for our vacant churches, especially the smaller churches, is a good deal like the classic quest of a needle in a hay stack. It is a never-ending and discouraging work; and after good men are found they are sometimes lost because of the slow and unreasonable action of the churches. But an improvement is noticeable. Gray hairs and bald heads are not quite so objectionable as a few years ago, if the minister has a young heart and an open mind, is in good health, is an honest worker, is a good mixer, talks the language of today and lives happily with his wife. The dead line in the ministry is not determined solely by the almanac. This has been to the advantage of our churches. At present our vacant fields are few. If we had twelve men adapted to these fields we could fill every vacancy in the state that is in condition to receive a pastor. This unusual showing is improved somewhat by the fact that five of these twelve fields have been vacant less than four weeks.

CONSERVING DENOMINATIONAL RESOURCES.

The action of the conference in providing, as a condition of granting home missionary aid to any church, that the property of said church and parsonage be secured to the conference by deed or otherwise in order to prevent its alienation from Congregational fellowship, was brought promptly to the attention of all the home missionary churches. Three churches which had received large home missionary aid declined to comply with the conditions, and the home missionary aid was discontinued. Two churches have asked for a personal conference with the superintendent or the general missionary in order to have explained some features of the plan not clearly understood by them. The remaining home missionary churches have all voted to comply with the conditions and have either executed deed or mortgage or have them in process of execution.

ENCOURAGING FINANCIAL CONDITION.

We seem to be emerging from a period of financial embarrassment incident, largely, to the confusion growing out of our early unfortunate experience with the apportionment plan. The churches are showing a fine spirit of cooperation with the board of trustees regarding the home missionary budget. For the year ending December 31, 1912, 256 churches contributed to home missions. Of this number 39 met their apportionment in full and 71 exceeded their apportionment. The first quarter of the year is usually a dry period, but this year the churches have responded so promptly during the first quarter as to enable the treasurer to pay all current bills without making any bank loans. If the same interest is taken by the churches in remitting promptly at the end of the second quarter it will go a long

way in tiding us over the summer months when the receipts are almost nothing.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL EXTENSION FUND.

The Michigan Congregational Extension Fund established for the purpose of initiating new work has received since the last annual meeting the following additions: By First Church, Detroit, from the bequest of Mrs. Nancy Avery, \$1,027.50; by bequest of George Parsons, Watervliet, \$1,000; by sale of four pieces of dormant church property, \$1,283.66; by gift of Mrs. I. P. Griswold, Allegan, \$500; by 82 gifts amounting to \$330; total, \$4,141.16. The total amount to the credit of this fund established only two years ago is \$4,694.16. this amount \$2,500 has been loaned to Mayflower church, Lansing, \$500 to Oak Park church, Traverse City, and \$200 to Atlanta. The first two amounts have been paid; the third amount will be paid within a short time. This is good progress for two years. The need of making large additions to this fund grows more apparent every day if we are to undertake new work on a scale commensurate with our opportunities and responsibilities. We cannot expect to include this fund in our apportionment plan and ask the churches to contribute to it. It must grow by individual gifts from living donors and by bequests. Last year we spoke of an aged brother who had promised to bequeath \$6,000 to this fund. He died last August. was as good as his word, but his will was improperly drawn and his purpose was frustrated. The fund was the loser by \$6,000. It would be well if those contemplating such gifts were impressed with the importance of care and accuracy and the desirability of having the papers prepared by competent authority. We would suggest to would-be givers that the conference attorney will gladly afford them every assistance in the proper preparation of their papers.

GROWING CONGREGATIONAL CONSCIOUSNESS.

In conclusion, it is a great pleasure to report signs of a growing Congregational consciousness and an increasing appreciation of fellowship on the part of both pastors and churches. The state work in all its departments is coming to be better understood; it is being regarded more and more in its true light, not as an institution apart from the churches, but as the organized fellowship of our churches and ministers, in which each may find a rare opportunity for enlarged and more efficient service.

J. W. SUTHERLAND, Superintendent.

[Document C.]

REPORT OF TREASURER.

Mr. C. A. Gower served as treasurer from January 1, 1912, to September 9, 1912. Supt. J. W. Sutherland served as acting treasurer from September 10, 1912, to January 11, 1913, at which time the books were closed for the fiscal year of 1912.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

LIABILITIES.
Bills Payable \$400 00 Surplus 34,965 88
\$35,365 88
ORKING FUNDS.
Overdrawn. \$4,036 96 1,159 11 \$785 08 2,807 76 1,374 67 16 29 91 08 903 78 400 00 500 00 \$50,000 \$\$5,196 07 ,1,682 59 \$\$\$6,878 66 \$6,878 66
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RECEIPTS.

Sunday School Missions:-	
From Churches, Sunday Schools, etc	\$3,001 20
Michigan Congregational Extension Fund:— From Mrs. Nancy Avery Bequest \$1,027 50 " Individuals 524 00 " Sale of Church Property 1,283 66	2.835 16
General Expense Benzonia Academy Fund—Interest on Investment. General Ledger—Offerings Received for Transmission Filer City Church Fund Library Fund Interest Loans	2,236 94 102 00 1,989 52 500 00 9 50 120 29 3,800 00
	\$35,735 69
Second	
Cash on hand December 31, 1912	35,735 69

INVENTORY OF TRUST FUNDS.

Jubilee Fund.

The Jubilee Fund of \$5,000 was constituted by the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Association from bequest of Mrs. C. L. Ford, of Ann Arbor, with stipulation in bequest that the proceeds thereof should be used for the cause of Home Missions

in Michigan. This fund is invested in Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds Nos. 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, \$1,000 each. Due 1937, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and November 1.

C. L. Ford Fund.

The C. L. Ford Fund was constituted by the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Association from bequest of Corydon L. Ford, of Ann Arbor, which made the Association residuary legatee and placed no restrictions upon the use of the proceeds. This fund is invested as follows:

Duluth, Rainy Lake and Winnipeg Railroad Bond, No. 52, for \$1,000, due January 1, 1916, interest 5 per cent, payable July 1 and

January 1

Flint (Mich.) Gas Company Bond, No. 120, \$500, due November 1, 1924, interest 5 per cent, payable May 1 and November 1.

La Porte (Ind.) Gas Company Bond, No. 71, \$500, due April 1, 1925, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and October 1.

Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, and 240, \$1,000 each, due 1937, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and October 1.

Five house-lots at Des Plaines, Ill., of very little present value. Responsible parties acquainted with the property advise holding the

same for a possible increase.

A house and lot in Detroit sold to Clark Sackett on contract on which there is due a balance of \$1,283.29.

Ministerial Relief Fund.

The Ministerial Relief Fund was constituted by the Board of Trustees from the bequest of \$5,000 by Mrs. C. L. Ford, of Ann Arbor. This was subsequently increased by further bequest of C. L. Ford, of Ann Arbor, and has grown by the surplus of receipts over disbursements. This fund is invested as follows:

Grand Rapids (Mich.) Gas Company Bond, No. 741, \$1,000, due February 1, 1915, interest 5 per cent, payable February 1 and

August 1.

Jackson (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, \$1,000 each, due 1937, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and October 1. La Porte (Ind.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 3, 4, 5, \$500 each. No. 126, \$1,000, due April 1, 1925, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1

and November 1.

A mortgage on real estate in the city of Lansing for \$1,100.

Benzonia Academy Fund.

The Benzonia Academy Fund was constituted by the gift of Miss Emily B. Dickinson, of Romeo, to the Michigan Congregational Association in the interest of Benzonia Academy under the terms which are given in document in our possession. The bonds in which this fund was invested matured February 1, 1911. This fund is invested as follows:

Mortgage on property in Benzie County, \$600. Mortgage on property in Benzie County, \$1,000.

Mortgage on property in city of Lansing, \$2,000.

The balance of \$1,400 is carried to the credit of the fund on our books.

Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund.

The Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund was constituted by the Trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society from the bequest of Mrs. L. A. H. Childs, of Whittaker, Michigan. While the use of this fund is not restricted, it was the desire of the donor and has been the purpose of the trustees to treat this as a permanent fund, the proceeds of which should be used for Home Missions. This fund is invested in La Porte (Ind.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 72, 81, 82, \$500 each, due April 1, 1925, interest 5 per cent, payable April 1 and October 1.

Nashville Church Property Fund.

The Nashville Church property fund was constituted by the Trustèes of the Michigan Home Missionary Society under the terms of contract (in our possession in duplicate) with the trustees of the Nashville Congregational Church upon the dissolution of that organization making the trustees of the Home Missionary Society custodians in trust for a term of fifteen years from July 27, 1906, with the proviso that should a Congregational Church be organized in Nashville within that time, the money should revert to the newly organized church and that at the expiration of the fifteen years the money should be the property of the Michigan Home Missionary Society. During the fifteen years the proceeds are to be used in the interest of Home Missions. This fund is invested in Flint (Mich.) Gas Company Bonds, Nos. 83, 113, 119, \$500 each, due November 1, 1924, interest 5 per cent, payable May 1 and November 1.

Filer City Church Fund.

This fund was constituted by the Filer City Congregational Church transferring to the Michigan Congregational Conference \$500 in cash with the understanding that should said church be revived and continued sometime in the future, the \$500, less amount paid by the Michigan Congregational Conference in the meantime for insurance and repairs on the property, will be returned to the church. The amount is carried on our books to the credit of the fund.

Real Estate.

Property at Old Mission, Michigan, occupied by Rev. Leroy Warren, D. D., formerly Superintendent of Home Missions in Michigan. Appraised at \$1,200.

The property formerly used as a Congregational parsonage at Mio, Mich. Appraised at \$500.

Filer City Church property appraised at \$500.

Recapitulation.

Jubilee Fund	\$5,000	00
C. L. Ford Fund	9,283	29
Ministerial Relief Fund	9,600	00
Benzonia Academy Fund	5,000	00
Mrs. L. A. H. Childs Fund	1,500	00
Nashville Church Property Fund	1,500	00
Filer City Church Property Fund	500	00
Real Estate	.2,200	00
-		-
Total	\$34.583	29

The securities referred to in this inventory, and papers pertaining to real estate belonging to the Conference, are in the custody of the treasurer and are in a safety deposit vault of the Lansing State Savings Bank.

Auditor's Certificates.

This is to certify that I have made an examination of the cash account of C. A. Gower, Treasurer, for the period beginning January 15, 1912, and ending September 9, 1912. I find that all items received by him during this period as shown by his cash book have been deposited in the Lansing State Savings Bank, having verified same by careful comparison of the entries and independent footings.

All items of disbursements as shown by his cash book with the exception of \$97.58 have been paid by checks on said bank which checks have been presented and paid. I have listed these checks independently, footed same on adding machine and verified the totals by comparison with the entries on the bank pass book.

The balance standing to the credit of Mr. Gower's account at the bank on September 9, 1912, is \$324.67. The balance of cash on hand as shown by the cash book is \$227.09. The difference of \$97.58 as above referred to, consisting of checks issued during the above period

and not yet presented at the bank for payment.

Respectfully yours, M. A. CHAPIN.

Dated, September 10, 1912. This is to certify that I have examined the books of J. W. Sutherland, treasurer of the Michigan Congregational Conference, from September 10, 1912, up to and including January 11, 1913, closing the fiscal year of 1912, and find same to be clear, comprehensive and

The examination disclosed that all daily receipts of cash are carried to the bank book in daily amounts and check with such bank book absolutely. Also all vouchers and checks are duly accounted for checking with the disbursements according to the bank book.

I further checked the inventory of trust funds and found same as per report above with the exception of slight changes made in the face of the securities caused by the reinvestment of certain securities that matured since January 11. All amounts, however, are intact.

T. ROGERS LYONS, Accountant.

Dated at Lansing, this the ninth day of May, 1913.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR HOME MISSIONS FROM CHURCHES IN DETAIL.

The amounts in the first column are the apportionments assigned by the Conference Apportionment Plan Committee to the individual churches for the year 1913. The amounts in the second column indicate the offerings of the individual churches for the year ending December 31, 1912. One star, (*) indicates that the churches met their 1912 apportionment in full. Two stars (**) indicate that the churches exceeded their 1912 apportionment.

Cheboygan	Associati	ion.	Detroit Asso	ciation-C	ont.
	1913.	1912.		1913.	1912.
CHURCHES.	Amt.	Amt.	CHURCHES.	Amt.	Amt.
CHEMEINS	Appor-	Con-		Appor-	Con-
	tioned.	tributed.		tioned.	tributed.
Alba	\$30 00	*\$30 00	Wayne	\$50 00	\$44 00
Atlanta	10 00	*10 00	Wyandotte	50 00	28 28
Bellaire	40 00	4 00	Wandotte	00 00	20 20
Big Rock	10 00	4 16	Total	2 725 00	\$2.367 14
Central Lake	25 00	12 00	,		
Charlevolx	125 00	**102 50	Eastern .	1.880ciation	n.
Cheboygan	125 00	62 10	Almont	\$90 00	872 15
Echo	10 00	8 85	Armada	75 00	25 00
Ellsworth	15 00	3 50	Carsonville	15 00	*15 00
Gaylord	55 00	37 69	Chesterfield	13 00	3 75
Ironton	25 00	12 50	Columbus	70 00	27 53
Johannesburg	25 00	*25 00	Imlay City	80 00	**81 28
Kalkaska	30 00	21 50	Memphis	21 00	15 00
Lewiston	18 00	13 35	New Baltimore	21 00	9 00
Mancelona	55 00	25 00	New Haven	15 00	**24 17
Rondo	5 00	20 00	Port Huron, First	450 00	*400 00
Vanderbilt	40 00	**42 25	Port Huron, 24th	430 00	-400 00
Wolverine	35 00	**45 00	St	9 00	**15 00
woiverine	33 00	45 00	Port Huron. Ross	9 00	13 00
Total	\$678 00	8459 40	Memorial	15 00	10 00
10tat	\$019.00	9433 40	Port Huron.	13 00	10 00
Detroit A	ssociation	1.	Sturges Mem'l.	- 21 00	**12 00
			Port Sanilac	13 00	*10.00
Detroit, First \$	1,100 00	*\$1,100 00	Richmond	45 00	14 80
Detroit, N. Wood-			Romeo	150 00	115 00
ward	900 00	656 05	St. Clair	250 00	**127 84
Detroit, Fort St.	100 00	87 90	St. Clair	250 00	121 84
Detroit, Mt. Hope	15 00	*23 00	Total\$	1 252 00	8997 52
Detroit, Brewster.	160 00	**176 00			
Detroit, Blvd	45 00	**54 00	Genesee A	1.880ciation	1.
Detroit, Highland			Bancroft	\$45 00	*\$40 00
Park	25 00		Deerfield	8 00	3 61
Dundee	20 00	**44 65	Durand	25 00	**30 25
Flat Rock	25 00	**21 40	Flint	90 00	**96 47
Maybee	15 00	*15 00	Grand Blanc	45 '00	**48 00
Metamora	15 00	**16 55	Hartland	12 00	_**15 00
Newport	10 00	*10 00	Highland	20 00	13 50
Oxford	30 00	*******	Laingsburg	45 00	31 00
Pontiac	100 00	67 25	Linden	5 00	
Rochester	30 00		Ovid	60 00	53 06
Rockwood	10 00	5 00	Owosso	180 00	87 50
Royal Oak	20 00	18 06	Perry	34 00	22 65
Utica	5 00	*******	St. Johns	112 00	83 11

Genesce Association-Cont. | Grand Rapids Association-Cont.

	1913.	1912.		1913.	1912.
CHURCHES.	Amt.	Amt.	CHURCHES.	Amt.	Amt.
	Appor-	Con-		Appor-	Con-
	tioned.	tributed.		tioned.	tributed.
Shaftsburg	\$12 00	\$6 00	Johnstown and		
Tyrone	12 00		Barry	\$10 00	
Vernon	22 00	22 00	Lowell	70 00	\$25 00
Victor	22 00	15 50	Middleville	4.0 00	12 25
	2710 00	2505 05	Moline	45 00	59 00
Total	\$749 00	\$567 65	Rockford	35 00	20 00 6 00
67 - 7 - 4 - · · ·			Saugatuck	45 00 20 00	10 00
Giaastone	Associatio	on.	South Boston Wayland	20 00	
Cooks	\$5 00.	*\$5 00	wayland	20 00	
Fayette	7 00		Total\$	1 860 00	\$672 04
Garden	15 00	**25 00	Total	1,000 00	40.2 01
Gladstone	9 00		Grand Traver	rse Associa	tion.
Isabella	3 00		Grana grace.	00 1100000	
Rapid River	40 00	**73 01	Benzonia	\$260 00	*\$198 55
Wells	25 00		Buckley	22 00	**16 31
			Cedar	. 7 00	3 00
Total	\$104 00	\$103 01	East Lake	10 00	**10 03
			Frankfort	25 00	10 00
Grand Rapid	ls Associat	tion.	Gilmore	5 00	**18-60
			Homestead	18 00	**20 04
Ada, 1st	\$30 00	\$20 60	Honor	23 00	20 00
Allendale	30 00	30 00	Lake Ann	7 00	2 56
Alpine, Trinity	40 00	24 83	Manistee	175 00	118 89
Bass River	7 00	6 00	Northport	60 00	43 08
Bradley	18 00	*16 75	Old Mission	25 00	20 00
Cannon	40 00	28 00	Omena	14 00	6 34 **16 00
Cedar Springs	10 00	*10 83	Onekema	3 00	*3 00
Clarksville	25 00	**30 00	Pleasanton	14 00	**25 00
Conklin	45 00	**34 77	Sherman	14 00	
Corinth	12 00	*10 00	Suttons Bay	23 00	43 74
Douglas	22 00	11 00	Thompsonville Trav. City, 1st	200 00	100 41
East Manville		**10 00	" Oak Park	14 00	12 25
East Nelson	3 00	********	Oak I ark	11 00	
East Paris	20 00	*20 00	Total	\$933 00	\$687 80
Elmdale	5 00				
Freeport	20 00	5 48	Jackson A	1ssociation	
Gd. Rapids, 1st.	480 00 120 00	80 00 43 50	A Aubon	\$500 00	\$333 94
2nd	50 00	*50 00	Ann Arbor	150 00	100 00
Bouth	45 00	12 00	Delhi Mills	150 00	**11 25
Smith mem	70 00	28 00	Dexter	25 00	21 25
riymouth .	30 00	20 00	Grass Lake	65 00	50 00
" East " Wallin Mem	30 00	15 65	Hamburg	10 00	8 23
" Comstock	30 00	10 30	Jackson, 1st	400 00	342 10
Park	15 00	15 00	Jackson, Ply	65 00	**53 37
Grandville	30 00	24 00	Leslie	38 00	*35 00
Howard City	35 00	8 38	Michigan Center.	13 00	9 00
Hudsonville	38 00	8 00	Pinckney	35 00	*25 00
Jenison	10 00	2 00	Salem, 1st	35 00	**32 50
Jenison	10 00	2 00	Datem, Astron.	00 00	02 00

Jackson Ass	ociation-	Cont.	Lake Superior	Association	n—Cont.
	1913.	1912.		1913.	1912.
CHURCHES,	Amt.	Amt.	CHURCHES.	Amt.	Amt.
	Appor-	Con-		Appor-	Con-
	tioned.	tributed.		tioned.	tributed.
Salem, 2nd	\$14 00	**\$17 52	Hancock	\$270 00	\$158 09
Sandstone	50 00	**52 50	Hubbell	20 00	**17 25
Union City	110 00	49 29	Lake Linden	35 00	*25 00
Webster	25 00	*35 00	Red Jacket	60 00	92 38
Ypsilanti	150 00	*150 00	Redridge	18 00	**23 50
Total\$		\$1,325 95	Total		\$525 53
Kalamazoo	Associati	ion.		Association	
Athens	\$27 00	\$24 63	Belding	\$50 00	\$24 50 **15 00
Alamo	21 00	25 90	Butternut	13 00	
Allegan	90 00	65 25	Carmel	10 00 26 00	9 25
Augusta	3 00	**10 00	Carson City	150 00	54 57
Bangor, 1st	12 00	**13 76	Charlotte		
Bangor, West	13 00	12 94	Chester Station Chippewa Lake	2 00	*15 00
Baroda	25 00	**24 49	Coral	15 00	4 71
Bedford	10 00	*5 00	Crystal	15 00	6 70
Benton Harbor	279 00	*279 00	East Lansing	67 00	*25 00
Bridgman	10 00	*10 00	Eaton Rapids	45 00	6 50
Coloma	18 00	14 35	Edmore	15 00	5 00
Constantine	90 00	**91 68	Fenwick	15 00	
Cooper	30 00	**62 25	Grand Ledge	55 00	20 00
Covert	45 00	5 00	Greenville	180 00	158 91
Dowagiac	65 00	**83 64	Lake Odessa	20 00	10 00
Fredonia	3 00		Lakeview	30 00	3 30
Galesburg	45 00	**70 27	Lansing, Plym'th	450 00	*440 00
Grand Junction.	20 00	**21 77	" Pilgrim	45 00	25 00
	27 00	17 00	" Mayflower	15 00	1 80
Hilliards	15 00	15 00 **36 01	Millett	3 00	
Hopkins, 2nd	54 00	37 00	Mulliken	25 00	**30 25
Kalamazoo	450 00	400 45	Nevins Lake	3 00	*5 61
Kendall	14 00	13 50	Olivet	250 00	100 34
Lawrence	18 00	2 00	Onondaga	20 00	*20 00
Leonidas	22 00	10 66	Portland	45 00	43 41
Leroy	22 00	20 00	Rodney	10 00	*10 00
Mattawan	22 00	12 25	Saranac	25 00	*25 00
Otsego	90 00	29 28	Sheridan	23 00	23 00
St. Joseph	200 00	*200 00	Shiloh	3 00	
South Haven	150 00	93 95	Sidney	5 00	
Texas	5 00	2 00	Six Lakes	6 00	
Three Oaks	170 00	**171 65	Stanton	70 00	**76 30
Vicksburg	27 00	7 50	Vermontville	60 00	**10 00
Watervliet	45 00	14 00	Wacousta Williamston	6 00 20 00	14 00
Total\$	9 197 00	#1 00F 10			
		\$1,885 18	Total	\$1,807 00	\$1,220 15
Lake Superio		ation.	Muskegon	Associatio	m.
Beacon Hill	\$2 00	**\$2 81	Big Prairie	\$8 00	
Calumet	300 00	179 50	Fremont	70 00	*\$70 00
Chassell	24 00	**27 00	Fruitport	3 00	

Muskegon As	sociation—	Cont.	Sault Ste. Marie	Associati	ion—Cont.
	1010	1912.		1913.	1912.
	1913.		CHURCHES.	Amt.	Amt.
CHURCHES.	Amt.	Amt.	CHORCHES.	Appor-	Con-
	Appor-	Con-		tioned.	tributed.
	tioned.	tributed.	Dina Cuawa		\$6 50
Grand Haven	\$30 00	\$13 00	Pine Grove	\$18 00	5 00
Hart	70 00	30 00	Rosedale	8 00	5 00
Muskegon, 1st	400 00	*350 00		000 00	000 71
" Highl'd P'k	15 00	**19 00	Total	\$83 00	\$63 71
" Jackson St.	5 00	3 70	Southern	Association	n.
Newaygo	15 00	*15 00	Addison	\$18 00	\$10 00
Nunica	8 00	3 50	Algansee	9 00	
Shelby	70 00	10 00	Batavia	3 00	
White Cloud	15 00		Bethel	3 00	
Whitehall	30 00	20 00	Bronson	18 00	
		-	Clinton	200 00	**168 00
Total	\$739 00	\$534 20	East Gilead	9 00	8 00
			Hudson	200 00	115 47
North Centr	al Associa	tion.	Jefferson	9 00	
Baldwin	\$18 00	**\$23 50	Litchfield	110 00	63 67
Big Rapids, 1st	90 00	45 11	Mattison	3 00	
Big Rapids, Twp.	18 00	5 50	Morenci	35 00	*35 00
Cadillac	180 00	**14.0 00	North Adams	50 00	49 25
Chase	5 00	3 70	Pittsford	30 00	*30 00
Clare	45 00	16 00	Prattville	20 00	
Custer	18 00	**22 04	Ransom	25 00	20 00
Farwell	12 00		Somerset	45 00	15 00
Fern	3 00		Tipton	15 00	4 00
Harrison	25 00	**33 00	West Adrian	40 00	**56 00
Hersey	36 00	**39 57	Wheatland	80 00	72 91
Ludington	225 00	192 90	-		
Reed City	75 00	30 00	Total	\$922 00	\$647 30
	8770 00	0551 00		City Union	ı.
Total	\$750 00	\$551 32	Detroit, First		\$1,100 00
Saginaro	Association	n	" N. Woodward		803 64
			" Fort Street		50 00
Alpena	\$270 00	**\$200 00	" Mt. Hope		10 00
Bay City	100 00	39 24	" Brewster		250 00
Breckenridge	45 00	*45 00	" Boulevard		50 00
Bridgeport	10 00	*20 00	" Polish		10 00
Essexville	20 00	12 50	" Highland Pk.		10 00
Freeland	20 00	*20 00	_		
Merrill	27 00	**23 45	Total		\$2,283 64
Roscommon	20 00	**24 50	Grand Rapid	do Cita T	nion
Saginaw, 1st	450 00	*440 00			
" Genesee Ave.	20 00	8 46	Gd. Rapids, Park		\$1,200 00
Standish	10 00	8 10			135 00
-	-				50 00
Total	\$992 00	\$841 25			35 00
Sault Ste. M	anta Assa	olation	" Wallin Mem'l		35 00
Sautt Ste. M			" Second		50 00
Allenville	\$18 00	\$11 00	" East		25 00
Brimley	18 00	**20 00	Grandville		10 00
Drummond	3 00		-	-	
Mackinac Island.	18 00	**21 20	Total		\$1,540 00

HOME MISSIONARY GIFTS AND GRANTS BY ASSOCIATIONS.

Cheboygan Association Detroit Association Eastern Association Genesee Association Grand Rapids Association Grand Traverse Association Jackson Association Kalamazoo Association Lake Superior Association Lansing Association Lansing Association North Central Association Saginaw Association Sault Ste. Marie Association Southern Association Oetroit City Union Grand Rapids City Union DISBURSEMENTS FO	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Cheboygan Association.	Grand Rapids Association.
Alba \$150 00	Allendale and Bass River \$66 87
Atlanta and Big Rock 66 66	Conklin 150 00
Eastport 58 34	Hudsonville 80 00
Echo 200 00	2442047116 1111111111111111111111111111111111
Ellsworth 12 50	Total \$296 87
Ironton 68 75	2000 01
Johannesburg 150 00	Grand Traverse Association.
Lewiston 262 50	
	Benzonia Twp. and Gilmore. \$325 00
Total \$968 75	Buckley and Sherman 166 66
Detroit Association.	Cedar, Lake Ann and Maple
	City 250 00
Dundee \$100 00	Homestead and Honor 160 00
Highland Park 500 00	Suttons Bay 100 00
Royal Oak 100 00	Traverse City, Oak Park 300 00
Total \$700 00	Total\$1,301 66
Eastern Association.	Kalamazoo Association.
Carsonville and Port Sanilac \$150 00	
New Baltimore 93 75	Baroda \$118 75
Port Huron, Ross Memorial	Bridgeman and Sawyer 50 00
and 24th Street 450 00	Grand Junction 200 00
Total \$693 75	Total \$368 75
Genesee Association.	Lake Superior Association.
Durand \$200 00	
Hartland and Highland 200 00	Beacon Hill and Redridge \$125 00
230 00	Ironwood 195 00
Total \$400 00	Total \$325 00
Gladstone Association	4020 00
Garden and Fayette \$250 00	Lansing Association.
Rapid River 200 00	Chippewa Lake and Rodney \$150 00
200 00	
Total \$450 00	East Lansing
	200 00

Lansing Association-Cont.	Sault Ste. Marie Association.
Lansing, Mayflower \$300 00	
Millett 12 50	Allenville and Brimley \$300 00
Onondaga 150 00	Pine Grove and Rosedale 200 00
Saranac 114 55	
Wacousta 33 34	Total \$500 00
Williamston 96 00	
	Southern Association.
Total\$1,464 72	
Muskegon Association.	Prattville \$50 00
Muskegon, Highland Park	Total \$50 00
and Jackson Street \$200 00	
Newaygo 200 00	Detroit City Union.
Nunica 18 72	
White Cloud and Big Prairie 45 00	Detroit, Polish \$499 92
m. 4.20 70	" Highland Park 300 00
Total \$463 72	" Mt. Hope 200 00
North Central Association.	Miscellaneous 977 33
Baldwin \$180 00	
Custer and Fern 250 00	Total\$1,977 25
Harrison 175 00	
Hersey 117 82	Guand Banida City Union
	Grand Rapids City Union.
Total \$722 82	Grand Rapids, Wallin Mem'l \$450 00
Saginaw Association.	" Smith Memorial 450 00
Essexville \$72 20	" East 354 10
Freeland 150 00	Grandville 180 00
Merrill 183 82	Walker Ave. S. S 50 00
Roscommon 200 00	Mich. Cong'l Conference 80 90
Saginaw, Genesee St 250 00	
Standish 200 00	Total\$1,565 00
Total\$1,056 02	
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MINISTER	AL RELIEF FUND IN DETAIL.
Addison \$3 00	Clinton \$15 00
Alamo 30	Coloma 6 14
Allegan 75	Columbus 6 70
Allendale 1 00	Constantine 5 00
Almont 5 00	Copemish 3 50
Alpena 20 00	Delhi Mills 23
Alpine Trinity 3 50	Detroit, First 115 63
Ann Arbor 58 89	" North Woodward 71 26
Baroda 2 37	" Fort Street 14 80
Benton Harbor 27 00	" Brewster 10 80
Big Rapids 4 30	Dexter 30
Breckenridge 4 00	Flint 1 92
Buckley 1 50	Frankfort 2 00
Calumet 25 75	Freeland 3 00
Charlevoix 10 00	Gaylord 4 50
Charlotte 5 00	Grand Blanc 5 00
Chelsea 5 90	Grand Rapids, Park 65 00
Chippewa Lake 1 00	" South 10 00

Grand Rapids, Smith " Plymouth " Comstock Park	-	00 00	Port Huron, First	3	20
Grass Lake	-	90	Red Jacket	18	00
Greenville	_	00	Rockford		00
Hancock	-	28	Romeo	-	00
Harrison	_	50	Roscommon		00
Hersey	-	56	Saginaw, First	25	
Highland	5	00	St. Joseph	10	
Homestead	-	00	Shelby	10	
Honor		50	South Haven		27
Hopkins, 2nd		42	Stanton	18	
Imlay City	-	00	Three Oaks	22	00
Jackson, First	-	94	Traverse City, First	37	66
" Plymouth		00	Vernon	1	00
Kalamazoo		49	Wheatland		60
Lake Linden		00	Ypsilanti	12	00
Lansing, Plymouth		00	Associations:		
Litchfield	3	00	Cheboygan	12	91
Lowell	5	00	Detroit	27	00
Ludington	16	73	Eastern	9	71
Maybee	5	00	Genesee	11	
Metamora	5	00	Grand Rapids	19	
Michigan Center	3	32	Grand Traverse	12	
Middleville	1	00	Jackson	_	11
Moline	3	00	Kalamazoo	21	
Muskegon, First	50	00	Lake Superior	49	
" Highland Park	1	00	Lansing	12	
North Adams		83	Muskegon		07
Northport		12	North Central	13	
Old Mission		50	Saginaw		04
Olivet	4	25	Sault Ste. Marle		65
Onekema		00	Southern	22	
Otsego	3	00	State Conference	25- 474	
Owosso		75	Interest	100	
Pittsford	3	50	A Friend	100	00
Pontíae		38	8	1,794	68

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REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

During the year there have been held seven meetings of the executive committee and two meetings of the board of trustees. The service that is being rendered by the executive committee has grown in variety and volume to such an extent that it has been found necessary to hold more frequent meetings and to lengthen each meeting by adding a night session. The usual sessions are from 7:30 to 10 p. m., from 8 a. m. to 12:30 p. m., and from 1:30 to 3 p. m. In order to attend these meetings it is necessary for a majority of the ten members to be absent from home thirty hours or more. Nevertheless the average attendance for the year has been above seven.

On September 9, 1912, Mr. C. A. Gower presented his resignation as registrar and treasurer to take immediate effect. Supt. J. W. Sutherland was appointed acting registrar and treasurer without additional compensation and he has performed all the duties of the two offices in addition to his work as superintendent to the present time.

Rev. C. H. Harger, formerly our efficient Sunday school missionary, was appointed to the position of general missionary, which had been vacant since May 31, at a salary of \$1,200. Rev. F. W. Sass, after two successful pastorates at Conklin and Highland Park, Muskegon, was appointed Sunday school missionary at a salary of \$1,100. Both

appointments became effective January 1, 1913.

The committee appointed to draft new bills for the Organization of Congregational Churches and the Consolidation of Congregational churches with their Societies, held numerous meetings and gave many hours to their work. The bills were passed in the closing hours of the legislature and have received the signature of the governor. It is believed that the new acts correct the incongruities contained in the former acts.

The committee on apportionment plan had several meetings. In accordance with the principle approved by the conference at its last session, the committee adopted the following schedule for the year 1913:

American Board Foreign Missions	\$7,500
Woman's Board Foreign Missions	7,500
Home Missions, including Detroit and Grand Rapids	
City Unions, State Work and National Societies	23,000
American Missionary Association	4,000
Church Building Society	3,000
Education Society	2,000
Sunday School Society	2,500
Ministerial Relief	1,500
	-
Total	\$51.000

This schedule represents an advance of about 33 per cent over the gifts of the Michigan churches for the year 1911. The advance for each society is as follows:

American Board Foreign Missions331/3	per	cent
Woman's Board Foreign Missions20	per	cent
Home Missions20	per	cent
American Missionary Association50	*	cent
Church Building Society70	**	cent
Education Society15	per	cent
Sunday School Society10	per	cent
Ministerial Relief50	per	cent

A circular letter describing and commending the plan, together with the apportionment for the individual church addressed, was mailed to each church in the state, November 20, 1912. The circular letter contained the following statement: "An average of \$1.60 per member from the churches of Michigan is required to meet our apportionment for 1913. If this amount were apportioned rigidly on the membership basis to each church there would doubtless be a great deficiency at the end of the year. Many churches will feel that they cannot give so much. Others can and will give more. In making the apportionment for each church, four factors have been taken into consideration: Church membership, financial ability, amount of current expenses, record of giving. The apportionment is not to be regarded as an assessment or tax but as an amount which the church is requested to accept as a minimum standard for benevolence, with the implied promise that it will make an earnest and sincere effort to reach it. If, in any case after careful consideration by the church, the amount is regarded as unreasonable, the church is requested to suggest a modification that will adequately represent its ability and its interest in the missionary work of our denomination. Unless some modification is reported to the state superintendent by the end of January next, it will be understood that the apportionment is Only a few modifications were suggested by the churches. accepted." In several instances the churches thought their apportionments too low and voluntarily increased them.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

That we accept the 1913 apportionment for benevolence as the apportionment for 1914, pledging ourselves to make every effort to

meet it in full and, if possible, to exceed it.

2. That the percentage basis in the division of funds for Home Missions contributed by Michigan to the State and National Societies be as follows: 85 per cent to be given to the Michigan Congregational Conference and 15 per cent to the Congregational Home Missionary Society up to \$19,000, exclusive of legacies, and that all sums above \$19,000, except such as are pledged for special purposes, shall be given to the National Society.

3. That the percentage basis in the division of funds for Sunday school missions contributed by Michigan be as follows: After deducting \$300 to apply on administration expenses of the Michigan Congregational Conference that the remainder whether received in Boston or in Lansing, except such sums as are contributed for special purposes, be divided evenly between the Michigan Congregational Conference and the C. S. S. & P. S. Further that the Michigan Congregational Conference and S. S. & P. S. contribute share and share alike toward the salary and expenses of the general Sunday School Missionary for Michigan.

4. That we express our interest in the Home Missionary propaganda to be carried on throughout our country during the coming fall and winter months under the auspices of the National Home Missionary Societies of the leading denominations; that we affirm our conviction of the great value of the Home Missionary campaign that was carried on last fall in the Eastern Association under the auspices of the Local Advisory Committee by which all the churches in the association were visited and addressed by delegations composed of the ministerial members of the association aided by Secretary C. C. Merrill of the National Apportionment Plan Commission and Dr. J. P. Huget, pastor First Church, Detroit; and that we recommend the carrying on of a similar campaign during the fall and winter months in every

local association in the state under the joint direction of the State Apportionment Plan Committee and the Advisory Committee of each local association.

5. That the constitution be amended so as to reserve to the Board of Trustees the right to appoint the treasurer, subject to the confirmation by the Conference, as in the case of the state superintendent.

6. That the offices of state superintendent and state registrar be combined without additional compensation to the superintendent.

7. That Mr. F. E. Bogart and Rev. Bastian Smits be nominated

for director of the Congregational Home Missionary Society. 8. That Superintendent J. W. Sutherland succeed himself at his

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present compensation.

REPORT OF THE INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE.

The Industrial Committee of the Conference in preparing its report for this meeting has assumed that it should be guided by the action of the Conference which led to its appointment, by a study of the developments of the past year in the relations of the church, particularly of our Congregational churches, to industry and then by our best judgment as to what the Michigan Congregational Conference should do in its meeting here, and should endeavor to have done the coming year through the several associations and churches which it represents.

An "industrial committee" as a standing committee of our Conference was first appointed at the meeting in Ludington in June, 1910. This was done in response to "a memorial from the Industrial Committee of the National Triennial Council" of 1907 (Minutes of Conf. 1910, p. 33). At the previous meeting of the National Council in 1904 an industrial committee had been appointed, consisting of twelve members. There was no man from Michigan on that committee (Year Book 1906, p. 486; Year Book 1907, p. 481). At Cleveland in 1907, the Triennial Council continued the Committee on Industry but made it consist of seven members. One of these was a man from Michigan, Mr. Van A. Wallin (Mins. of Council 1907, p. 427). Again in 1910 at Boston the National Council continued the committee but increased its membership to nine. Prof. Graham Taylor of Chicago, was made the chairman, and again one of its members was from Michigan, Rev. Carlos H. Hanks of Owosso. (Min. of Council, 1910, p. 382.) This committee will naturally make a report at the coming meeting of the National Council in October, in Kansas City. To complete this brief tracing of the Committee on Industry in the National Council we mention further that its first appointment was in 1901, twelve years ago. (Council Pro. 1910, p. 228.)

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In our Michigan Conference the first appointment of an industrial committee took place, as has been said, in 1910 in Ludington. The committee consisted of three ministers (Min. of Conf. pp. 33, 34). At the meeting of the Conference in Port Huron in 1911 no report was made by the Committee of 1910 and there is nothing in the minutes of that meeting relating to it. The committee was continued, however, as a committee of three ministers, though one minister was substituted for another. (Min. of Conf. 1911, pp. 34, 35.) The

committee of 1911 made no report at the meeting in Alpena in 1912, but the committee was continued as before with three ministers on it. This committee of 1912 are presenting this report in 1913 today.

At the meeting of the Triennial Council in Cleveland in 1910, the Committee on Industry of 1907, with Prof. Graham Taylor as its chairman, made a report, and offered certain recommendations which were adopted by the council. In this report, pp. 222-233 of the Proceedings of the Council in 1910, were presented the reasons why the church of the twentieth Christian century is called to take special action in regard to the industrial life of men, a brief account of the special action which several denominations in Europe and America, our own among them, had already taken, and a statement of what seemed to be required on the part of our Congregational churches. We quote portions of this statement as having some definite bearing on the action of our Conference and the work of this committee: "The time has now come for action if the Congregational churches are to be recognized as having assumed any attitude whatever toward these vital issues of our time, upon which all the great fellowships of American churches have taken their position and gone to work. It is time that we take up or give up the function for which this committee was created.

"Action is now imperatively required to fulfill the four-fold obligation of our churches to the industrial conditions and relationships of American life.

"(1) To make a representative declaration of principles, such as the National Council only can declare for all the churches, and such as the state associations may supplement for their own constitutions.

"(2) To cooperate with all the other fellowships of Christian churches for interdenominational action when occasion calls upon them to present a united front to any industrial situation. * * *

"(3) To organize a committee on industry in every state and bring such committee into active cooperation with the National Council's Industrial Committee.

"(4) To provide some executive agency of the churches for promoting their study and effort to improve the local conditions and relations in industry such as the Congregational Brotherhood of

America may best undertake to establish and maintain.' On the basis of "the fourfold obligation of our churches" as thus set forth, the committee offered five recommendations (Council Proc. 1910, pp. 231-233), which were adopted (d. p. 382) and thus became a declaration of "The Congregational Churches of the United States" as represented in their last National Council. The several points of these recommendations were the following: (1) the adoption of the "Declaration of Principles" set forth by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at Philadelphia in 1908; (2) cooperation with the Federal Council through its Committee on the Church and Modern Industry; (3) an urging of each state conference to appoint a committee on industry which may cooperate with the industrial committee of the National Council; (4) a request that the Congregational Brotherhood in its national and local organizations, be the executive agency of the churches in connection with the industrial life of the country: (5) an increase of the membership of the committee from seven members to nine.

The ways in which these recommendations and their general idea

may be carried out are many and various. What our Michigan Congregational Brotherhood has done towards complying with the request of the National Council has been indicated in its annual meeting held on Tuesday evening. Some effort has been made to ascertain what the Congregational churches of our Michigan Conference have done in the several associations. A letter has been sent to the registrar of each one of the sixteen associations of the Conference, making these inquiries: Has any action been taken by your association the past year relating to the recommendations and ideas of the Committee on Industry of the National Council, as given in the proceedings of 1910, pp. 222-233? Has anything been done by any of the ministers and churches of your association which might properly be subject matter of this report? Replies to this letter have been received from the registrars of 11 of the 16 associations. No word has been received from the registrars of five associations, namely, Cheboygan, Detroit, Gladstone, Grand Traverse and S. S. Marie. The registrars of Genesee, Grand Rapids, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lake Superior, Lansing, Muskegon, North Central, Saginaw and Southern associations have replied that no action has been taken by their associations relating to the recommendations, and that they know of no churches nor ministers undertaking anything special relating to industrial life. The registrar of the Lansing Association writes that nothing of the kind has appeared in the annual letter of any of the churches. The registrar of the Lake Superior Association reports that at their spring meeting a paper on Congregational Questions before the National Council, "caused a good deal of discussion partly along the lines in which your committee are interested." The Genesee registrar says, "Such places as Flint, Owosso, St. Johns and Durand have a good number of toilers in shops, but I do not know that anything special has been done for them or with them. One of the best things that can be done for the toilers in shops is to shut up the saloons. Our churches are at the front in all local option campaigns, and are thus helping industrial conditions." The registrar of the Eastern Association reported having forwarded the letter of inquiry to Rev. John Lambrecht of the Ross Memorial Church of Port Huron, as the man "who knows more of the subject in hand than any one else in the Eastern Association." Rev. Lambrecht himself wrote in response to this letter as follows: "I do not think there has been a committee appointed as yet by our Eastern Association, but I am sure there should be. This will be attended to at our next meeting. Here in Port Huron we are working with the labor movement. I am a delegate to the Trades and Labor Council, and find that good work can be done by cooperation. I represent the Port Huron Ministerial Association in the Council. Sunday, May 11, I speak to the Typo-graphical and other unions. I have preached on Labor Sunday for some years to organized labor. I am going to plan an extensive program for our fall work along this line. I am to read a paper at our association May 6-7 on the subject 'The Church and the Community.' In this I expect to present this great interest, and will see that some definite action is taken."

We thus report what could be learned through the registrars of the several associations as to the actual work done by our churches and ministers relating to the industrial life of the people. Undoubtedly we have not learned of much work done by many pastors and

churches which could properly be comprehended under church action relating to industrial conditions, and which might properly be recorded in the report of this committee. But it has scarcely been practical to learn more than has been here reported. The committee has made no attempt to sermonize on the general subject of the relation of the churches to the industrial life of today in its many important phases. Our purpose has been rather to present to the Conference the main facts of the action which we as Congregationalists have already taken in our Triennial Councils, in our Conferences, in our associations, in our individual churches, and by our individual ministers and members, in working out the ideas which have led to the appointment of these committees on industry. Because of this action, and by reason of the feeling and convictions which are plainly a fact in the general Christian consciousness of America and Europe, and especially in our Congregational church consciousness, we assume that it is the sense of our Michigan Conference that this subject of The Church and Industry should still be a matter for thought and action with us.

We therefore offer the following declarations for adoption by the Conference:

1. That we will give earnest consideration to the ideas and recommendations of the Triennal Councils concerning our churches and the industrial life of the American people, and will cooperate

with its Committee on Industry as far as practicable.

2. That we request each association of our Conference to appoint an industrial committee as a standing committee at its next meeting, and that these committees be asked to gather information of what may be done by the churches and ministers in the several associations in relation to the industrial life of their communities, and report the same each year to the chairman of the Industrial Committee of the Conference at least one month before its annual meeting.

H. P. COLLIN, E. W. BISHOP, V. F. BROWN.

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The Committee on Examination and Course of Study make the fol-

lowing report:

Seventeen students have appeared before the committee. Of these five having successfully passed the examinations, viz., Thomas Ainslee, H. Heafield, A. B. Lucas, C. D. Oberlin, N. Skidmore, have been recommended for examination for ordination, subject in one case to condition of the completion of a minor portion of the work. Two, Mr. R. T. Caldwell and Mr. W. E. Lyon have been advanced to the third year. Three, Mr. Henry Kreulen, Mr. A. Dawe and Mr. E. Humphrey, have been advanced to the second year, and three, Messrs. F. H Bridgewater, H. W. W. Allen and Ira E. Kinney, have been enrolled for the first year. Mr. B. D. Snook continues his work on the second year. Mr. Rex O. Holman is recommended to take a course in college. Mr. J. G. Peters will receive a certificate of recommendation upon the completion of certain assigned work. Mr. R. L. Wintz will receive a later assignment to a place in work. The committee have been much pleased with the promptness with which the licen-

tiates have met all requirements made of them and with the general excellence of the papers written, some of which have been unusually creditable.

This report which closes the account of the positive labors of the committee might perhaps be regarded as a complete fulfillment of its duties, but the committee wishes to recommend certain steps which will tend to make the study of licentiates more successful as well as more interesting. The prime difficulty under which the present scheme labors is that the student is left substantially to himself aside from the prescription of certain books, to make his way into new departments of study. It may be possible eventually to arrange for the use of the facilities of the Theological Seminaries in their correspondence departments for help in this direction. But one institution exists already in our current church life which may possibly be rendered a source of help if it can be brought into closer connection with the work of the committee. We refer to the Pastors' Institute which has now been held for several years. This might be employed for the purpose of giving specific help at difficult points in pursuing the course of study, and the interest in the institute, considered simply as an institute, might possibly be considerably increased by such an arrangement. The committee will therefore suggest the adoption by the Conference of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Conference views with satisfaction the development of an annual institute for the assistance of our young pastors in their professional preparation and their current work, and places upon record its hope that this may be made a permanent portion of our Congregational State instrumentalities. To this end, at the request of its originators, and particularly of the state superintendent, the Conference directs the Committee upon Course of Study to assume

the responsibility for its annual assembling and conduct.

Respectfully submitted,
E. G. LANCASTER.
HOLDEN A. PUTNAM.
FREDERICK W. SASS.
FRANK H. FOSTER, Chm.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

Your State Committee on Education begs leave to report as follows: Several matters have been referred to this committee either by action of the State Conference at its meeting at Alpena in 1912, the State Executive Committee, or the State Apportionment Committee. One of these matters has to do with the apportionment to our Michigan churches for the cause of Christian Education.

We find that in the original apportionment of \$75,000, the amount specified for the Congregational Education Society was \$6,000. The whole apportionment, however, had been radically modified by the State Apportionment Committee, both in total amount and in the percentages assigned to the different societies. For the current year the amount designated for the Congregational Education Society is \$2,000.

A second point bearing upon this question has to do with the con-

viction that a larger portion of the contributions for Christian Education from our Michigan churches should be sent, either directly or through the Congregational Education Society to institutions in which Michigan is directly interested. Benzonia Academy is engaged in an endowment campaign and merits the hearty support of our churches. The State Conference has formally approved the observance of Olivet Day and an annual gift from each of our churches to the work of our college. Chicago Theological Seminary is directly and organically related to the Congregational churches of this state and is entitled to a share of our gifts. And within the past few months arrangements have been completed for the employment of a Congregational student pastor at the University of Michigan in cooperation with the Ann Arbor Congregational church and the State Conference.

After conference with the institutions named and with the officers

of the Congregational Education Society, your committee recommends: First, that the State Apportionment Committee be asked to make the 1914 apportionment for Christian Education \$2,500, provided it can be so adjusted as not to conflict with the action of the Conference in adopting the 1913 apportionment as the apportionment for 1914

Second, that this amount be distributed as follows:

(a) \$500 to the general work of the Congregational Education Society.

(b) \$500 through the Congregational Education Society toward the salary of the student pastor at Ann Arbor.

\$500 to Olivet College.

(d) \$500 to Benzonia Academy.

\$500 to Chicago Theological Seminary. (a)

Third, that the Committee on Education be continued and instructed to communicate this action to the Congregational Education Society urging its approval and adoption, to cooperate with the State Apportionment Committee and the Institutions above mentioned in bringing this matter before the churches, and to do whatever else may be necessary to carry this action into effect.

Your committee further reports that at a recent meeting of the State Executive Committee the choice of a student pastor at Ann Arbor was referred to Rev. F. M. Sheldon, D.D., in connection with this committee. We report progress and expect to have such a pastor on the field by the opening of the next academic year.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

A year ago the hope was expressed that the regular payments from this fund might be increased. Your committee, accordingly, while leaving the standard the same for the present, \$100 per year, have investigated the circumstances of each beneficiary and have made special grants amounting to \$352.10. This added to the regular payments of \$810 makes a total of \$1,162.10 disbursements for the year.

Our roll has been decreased by the death of Mrs. George S. Bradley

in Hillsdale, Michigan, January 30, 1913.

The receipts for 1912 were as follows: From 92 churches \$962.56;

fifteen local associations, \$232.36; State Conference offering \$25.51; a friend \$100; interest on invested funds, \$474.25, total \$1,794.68.

While our fund is on the gradual increase yet the whole plan of helping our veterans seems too much like doling out charity and is not entirely satisfactory.

It is hoped that the National Council will this year approve some system of annuities or pension for Congregational ministers which may be adopted by the Conferences of the various states.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. STONEMAN, W. H. STRONG, F. A. FISH,

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved:

1. That we reaffirm our position with reference to the report of the Committee of Nineteen on Polity taken one year ago in the resolution presented by Rev. John P. Sanderson and found on page 37 of the Conference Minutes which resolution favored a plan substantially like those presented by the National Congregational Home Missionary Society and the Chicago Ministers' Union, and as embodied in the second report of the Committee of Nineteen. Further, that we see no adequate reason for exempting as some are suggesting, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions from entering the same general relation to the National Council as that proposed for the homeland societies, and are opposed to any such exemption.

2. Believing that the success which has attended the work of the State Conference proves the value of closer organization and unity in our State work, we recommend that the State Executive Committee and State Superintendent be instructed to confer with the Detroit and Grand Rapids City Unions with the object of bringing about such closer union with the general state work as may be found practicable.

3. That we respectfully petition the Honorable Board of Regents of the University of Michigan that, in connection with the registration of the students upon their entering the University, provision may be made for giving to each student an opportunity to note his or her church membership or church preference.

4. That it is the sense of this Conference that license for marriage should be accompanied by a certificate from a qualified physician that the applicants are free from tubercular and venereal taint, and are

mentally and physically qualified for the marriage relation.

5. That we rejoice in the progress that is being made in the building of public sentiment against the liquor traffic and in the enactment of the Webb law prohibiting the interstate shipment of intoxicating liquor, when it is designed for illegal use and for the Pray law enacted by the legislature of our own state supplementing the Webb law, making the enforcement of local police regulations more nearly in harmony with the desire of the prohibition community. That we pledge our hearty cooperation in the state wide campaign for constitutional prohibition inaugurated by the Michigan Anti-Saloon league and we declare that in addition to the possibility of redeeming our common-

wealth from the curse, the campaign of education against this evil, will tend to dethrone the traffic in the lives of men and increase the number of citizens who are opposed to the license system, thus in any case building a large and firm foundation for future progress.

That we express our appreciation and gratitude to the Moderator of the National Council, the Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, for his presence, counsel and inspiring address on the problems confronting us.

7. That we express our thanks to Prof. H. A. Smith of Chicago

Seminary for his part on our program.

8. That we express our warmest thanks to the First Congregational Church of Cadillac for the "open house" courtesies so graciously extended to the members and delegates of the Conference; to its clear-headed pastor, Rev. A. S. Donat, for the wise and thoughtful arrangments made for our comfort and convenience; to the ladies for the elegant banquet so admirably served; and to all others in this and other churches who have contributed to our enjoyment during this Conference week.

> M. LEE GRANT DEMAS COCHLIN. G. R. CATTON.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHICAGO SEMINARY.

The Seminary has had a good year. President Davis reports enthusiastically of the ability, enthusiasm, and devotion of the Faculty. There has been an increase in the number of students. The churches of the Middle West have a growing interest in the Seminary and its work. Gifts from churches and individuals have increased.

There are still many difficulties and problems, but the outlook is

more hopeful than at any time for years past.

The churches of Michigan are urged to support the Seminary by sympathy and prayer and by money and students. The Seminary stands ready on its part to be of help to the ministers and churches of the State, not only through its regular Seminary and Institute Courses, but by means of the Extension and Correspondence Departments. Correspondence with the President and Dean is invited upon these points.

Without going into detail we are glad to report a more than usually successful year, a good prospect for the future, and earnest and thoughtful consideration of the yet unsolved problems; and also to commend the Seminary heartily to our churches.

J. PERCIVAL HUGET.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Officers, 1913-1914.

President
Vice President
Secretary and Superintendent Rev. J. W. Sutherland, Lansing.
TreasurerMr. L. P. Haight, Lansing.

Articles of Association.

ARTICLE I.

The name assumed by this corporation, and by which it shall be known in law, is the Michigan Home Missionary Society.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society shall be to promote the organization of Congregational churches in Michigan, to aid churches in the support of their local ministry and work, to cooperate with the national Congregational Home Missionary Society in the cause of missions in other states and territories, and to diffuse Christian knowledge within this State by missionaries, publication and such other means, agencies and instrumentalities as may be necessary therefor.

ARTICLE III.

The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the hour of nine o'clock a. m., at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held. If any exigency arise which necessitates a change in the time of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference the date of the annual meeting of this Society may, by vote of the officers, upon due notice, be changed to correspond with that of the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

ARTICLE IV.

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be ex-officiis the trustees of the said Society and shall have in relation to the business, funds and all other interests of said Society the same powers, rights and duties, which are given them as trustees of said Michigan Congregational Conference.

The annual meeting of the trustees shall be held at the time of, or immediately after the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and eleven members of the Board shall constitute a quorum.

Said Board shall receive, hold, control, invest, reinvest and expend all moneys or property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the Michigan Home Missionary Society and shall apply the same or the proceeds thereof, to the work of said Society or to such branch thereof as may be designated in the will or bequest of the donors: Provided, however, That the Society may make such application through the agency of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its agencies, if in their judgment it shall seem desirable so to do. Said Board of Trustees or the executive committee thereof may be made the agents of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Home Missionary Society for the purpose of making such application, with such powers in relation thereto as may be granted by the Board of Trustees of said Society.

ARTICLE V.

The membership of this Society shall consist of the members of the Michigan Congregational Conference, and of life members, to be elected or appointed in such manner as this Society may hereafter provide, and also of nine delegates from the Woman's Home Missionary Union, to be elected annually by that body.

ARTICLE VI.

Twenty-five members of the Society present at any meeting legally assembled shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

ARTICLE VII.

Said corporation may hold real and personal property not to exceed in value the sum of five hundred thousand dollars, to be devoted exclusively to the prosecution in the State of Michigan of Christian work, as indicated in Article II of the constitution, by missionaries, publications and such other means, agencies, and instrumentalties as may be necessary therefor.

Said Michigan Home Missionary Society shall have power to receive and execute trusts for the general purposes of said Society, and may receive, hold, invest, reinvest and expend all money and other property given or bequeathed in trust or otherwise to the said Michigan Home Missionary Society, and shall execute said trusts for the general purposes of the said corporation within the meaning of the acts under which the same is incorporated in accordance with the terms and conditions of said trusts.

ARTICLE VIII.

The term of existence of this corporation is fixed at thirty years from the date hereof.

Done at Olivet, Michigan, June 13, 1895. Amended at Lansing, Michigan, May 21, 1908.

Constitution and By-Laws.

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Any member of any Congregational Church in this state may become a life member of this Society upon the payment to the Society in his behalf of the sum of thirty dollars, and an election to such membership by a majority vote of the members present and voting at any meeting of this Society; it being provided that in connection with the gifts of churches, life membership is to be conferred only upon such persons as have been elected to this honor by the contributing churches; such election to be properly certified to the treasurer of this

Any member of any Congregational church in this State shall be eligible to election to any office in this Society.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. They shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Society and shall hold their offices for one year and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Said officers shall furnish the Board of Trustees with any informa-

Said officers shall furnish the Board of Trustees with any information required by them on all matters relating to their respective departments, and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to these officers.

ARTICLE V.

The annual meeting of this Society shall be held on the Thursday next after the third Tuesday of May in each year, at the place where the annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be held.

Special meetings may be called whenever, in the unanimous opinion of the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, the interests of the Society so demand.

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Twenty-five members of the Society, present at any meeting legally assembled, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VII.

The trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference shall be ex-officis the trustees of this Society. Their powers and duties shall be the same with reference to this Society, the conduct of its affairs and the administration of its property and interests as defined for the trustees of the said Congregational Conference in the constitution and bylaws thereof.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Society may, from time to time, adopt such rules as may be necessary for the dispatch of business.

ARTICLE IX.

The constitution and by-laws may be changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided the intended change or amendment shall have been proposed in substance at the previous meeting.

BY-LAWS.

The fiscal year of this Society shall close at the same time as the fiscal year of the Michigan Congregational Conference.

MICHIGAN HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Cadillac, Michigan, May 22, 1913.

The Michigan Home Missionary Society was called to order at 9:30 o'clock by the President, Rev. H. A. Putnam.

The society voted that the Conference scribes and nominating committees act in their respective offices for the society.

The reading of the treasurer's report was dispensed with as it was placed in the hands of the society in printed form. The report was adopted and ordered printed in the Minutes.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows and the report was adopted:

President—Rev. H. A. Putnam, Ludington. Vice President—Mr. H. H. Cummer, Cadillac.

Secretary—Supt. J. W. Sutherland, Lansing.

Treasurer-Mr. L. P. Haight, Lansing.

Superintendent Sutherland offered the following resolution which was adopted:

"Be it resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Congregational Conference and its Executive Committee are hereby appointed the agents of this board for the purpose of applying the funds of this board to the purposes designated by the donors thereof, or to such other work of the society as, in their judgment and discretion, may be best for the interests of such work."

On motion the society adjourned.

JOHN LAMBRECHT, Scribe. A. J. BLAIR, Assistant Scribe.

REPORT OF THE W. H. M. U. OF MICHIGAN.

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Union of Michigan was declared in session by the President, Mrs. C. W. Wagner, on Thursday morning, March 27, 1913, in the Park Church, Grand Rapids. The President offered an earnest prayer, and after singing "America" Mrs. Bastian Smits, of Jackson conducted the devotional service.

Reports of officers were given as follows: The Treasurer's report by Mrs. C. K. McGee, of Ann Arbor, and the appended Auditor's report by Mrs. C. W. Wagner; the financial report of the Board of Trustees for Mrs. C. R. Wilson by Mrs. McGee; Executive Board by Mrs. G. B. Wade, of Laingsburg; Mrs. H. L. Wilton, of Grosse Isle, gave Corresponding Secretary's report; Secretary Junior and Juvenile Work, for Mrs. H. Schmidt, by Mrs. Upton, of Muskegon; Secretary Literature by Mrs. E. L. Edwards, of Ludington. These reports were severally accepted. Discussion hour, in charge of Mrs. I. P. Powell, of Grand Rapids, proved delightful and highly instructive.

Mrs. George Bishop, of Ann Arbor, in her own forceful way, presented the matter of increasing our gifts under the unique caption, "The Call of the Children." Mrs. A. C. Diefenbach, of Benton Harbor, spoke of the value of the Home Missionary Federation. This was supplemented by a history of the development of the Federation idea by Mrs. Powell. A letter was read from Mrs. Guild, President of the Federation. Supt. J. W. Sutherland, of Lansing, was given a hearty greeting by the ladies. He spoke of the Correlation of all departments of State Work. The morning session closed with an informal discussion of methods for increasing interest and attendance at auxiliary meetings.

After an appetizing luncheon served by the ladies of the church the afternoon session was called to order at 1:30. Mrs. E. W. Bishop, of Grand Rapids, took charge of the devotional service, bringing to us the thought of "Service." Report of the annual meeting of the Home Missionary Federation in Buffalo was given by Mrs. Diefenbach. Mrs. T. C. Williams, of Imlay City, read the letter of greeting from Miss

D. E. Emerson, of the A. M. A. Miss Grace Josselyn, who has spent seven years in Porto Rico, brought us vivid pictures of the life there and the work to be done. Miss Miriam Woodberry, Secretary of the Woman's Department of C. H. M. S., brought us the latest news of the field. In closing Miss Woodberry said: "We have the ability, we have the money. Have we the vision? Will we rise to the beautiful opportunity that lies at our hands?" Mrs. G. R. Catton, of Benzonia, was called on, and spoke of the work in Benzonia Academy. The chairman of the Committee on Credentials reported 57 accredited delegates, 15 officers, and 7 Association Presidents present.

Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved, That we, representing the W. H. M. U., wish to express our gratitude to the people of Park Church of Grand Rapids for gracious hospitality which we have received at their hands. That we wish to voice our appreciation of the wonderful executive ability which has planned for the smallest detail of our comfort. We would mention the work of the Fellowship boys, which will stand out in memory as one of the most pleasant features of our meetings. We express our gratitude to all who had any part in arranging and serving of the delicious luncheons; to those whose hospitality we have enjoyed in their own homes and in this most efficient church home; to the musicians whose beautiful selections have given us great pleasure; and to the speakers who have brought us inspiring messages from various fields of our activity.

Resolved, That our appreciation be expressed to the President and the Executive Board to whose thoughtful plans the

success of the meeting is in a large measure due.

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the message of our Superintendent, Dr. Sutherland, bearing upon the more perfect correlation of our church work, both local and state, as expressing an essential factor in the advancement of the work of the Kingdom. That together with this closer union for more effective service, we cherish a deepening sense of our fellowship in the work of the Federation, and in all the wider interests of the Gospel.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. E. R. LATHAM,
MRS. SHIRLEY SMITH.

The Committee on Place of Meeting, after conferring with a like Committee from the Branch, announced Pontiac as the place of next meeting.

The Committee on Nominations for 1913, through its chair-

man, Mrs. L. McConnaughey, reported as follows:

For President-Mrs. C. W. Wagner, Ann Arbor.

For First Vice President—Mrs. I. P. Powell, Grand Rapids.

For Second Vice President—Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Detroit. For Third Vice President—Mrs. M. M. Martin, Ann Arbor.

For Fourth Vice President—Mrs. E. G. Lancaster, Olivet.

For Fifth Vice President—Mrs. F. B. Crego, Saginaw. For Sixth Vice President—Mrs. Frank Cooley, Lansing. Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. L. Wilton, Grosse Isle.

Assistant Corresponding Secretary-Miss Harriet Potter,

Recording Secretary—Mrs. G. B. Wade, Laingsburg.
Secretary Junior and Juvenile Work—Miss Ella Wagner,

Ann Arbor.
Assistant Secretary Junior and Juvenile Work-Mrs. H.

Schmidt, Chelsea.

Secretary of Literature-Mrs. E. L. Edwards, Ludington.

Treasurer-Mrs. C. K. McGee, Ann Arbor.

Auditor-H. A. Williams, Ann Arbor.

Trustees for three years—Mrs. George Lane, Detroit; Mrs. S. O. Hartwell, Kalamazoo; Mrs. G. B. Wade, Laingsburg.

Delegates to State Home Missionary Society in Cadillac—Mrs. C. K. McGee, Ann Arbor; Mrs. F. L. Perkins, Grand Rapids; Mrs. G. B. Wade, Laingsburg; Mrs. H. A. Penny, Saginaw; Mrs. Augustine Jones, South Haven; Mrs. Chas. Wicks, Stanton; Mrs. E. L. Edwards, Ludington; Mrs. Daniel Upton, Muskegon; Mrs. Agnes Love, Traverse City.

Delegate to W. H. M. Federation-Mrs. C. W. Wagner.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. McCONNAUGHEY, MRS. W. J. BRISTOL, MRS. W. H. BUTLER, MRS. T. C. WILLIAMS, MRS. E. F. OBERLIN.

This report of the Nominating Committee was accepted and the Secretary instructed to cast the ballot. The Executive Board recommended:

1. "That the traveling expenses to the annual meeting of the President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Secretary of Literature, and Secretary of Young People's Work, shall be paid by the Union, unless by virtue of their office these expenses are paid by the Board of Trustees;

2. "That in connection with a like recommendation of the Branch, the Union be responsible for one-half the traveling expenses of the association presidents to the annual meeting,

for one year;

3. "That the W. H. M. U. concur with the W. B. M. I. in

holding the annual meeting the last week in April."

The recommendations were severally accepted and adopted. Rev. E. W. Bishop gave an explanation of the ten beautiful Tiffany windows of which the church is justly proud and which were greatly admired throughout the meeting.

The evening meeting was led in the devotional service by Rev. C. O. Grieshaber, of Grand Rapids. The address of the evening was given by Rev. Frank M. Sheldon, of Ann Arbor, subject, "The Far-Reaching Significance of Home Missions."

Meeting closed with the benediction by Rev. Grieshaber.

Respectfully submitted,

T. JOSEPHINE WADE,

Recording Secretary.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR JAN. 1st, 1912, to DEC. 31st, 1912.

From Senior Auxiliaries From Junior Auxiliaries From Juvenile Auxiliaries From Sunday Schools From Interest and Dividends From Individual Gifts From Annual Collection	158 50 30 76	
Total Receipts	\$6,998 04 1,299 61	\$8,297 65
Disbursements— For State Work For American Missionary Association. For C. C. B. Society For C. E. Society For Schauffler School For S. S. and Pub. Society For Ministerial Aid For Benzonia For Olivet For Bond and Premium Expenses	958 25 266 12 228 00 131 43 92 98 129 15 117 50 110 00 1,043 33	
Total Disbursements	\$8,056 80 240 85	\$8,297 65

REPORT OF MICHIGAN BRANCH W. B. M. I.

MINUTES OF FORTIETH ANNUAL MEETING.

The fortieth annual meeting of the Michigan Branch of the W. B. M. I., convened in Park Congregational Church, Grand Rapids, was called to order by the President, Mrs. L. P. Haight, Wednesday morning, March 26, 1913.

The Business Committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. W. A. Gibson, Jackson; Mrs. A. H. Stoneman, St. Joseph, and Mrs. S. T. Morris, Grand Rapids. This Committee to report later in the session.

The devotional service was led by Mrs. Lyons of Detroit, who announced the Hymn, "Christ for the World We Sing." She then read from the Scriptures the story of our Lord's appearance to Mary with the command, "Feed my sheep." Mrs. Lyons led in prayer and another Hymn was sung, "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee."

The address of welcome was graciously given by Dr. E. W. Bishop of Park Church, who welcomed the women from the suburbs to the Hub of Michigan. This was responded to by Mrs. C. W. Wagner of Ann Arbor.

Reports of Secretaries were given as follows: Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. F. E. Hammond, Juvenile Secretary—Mrs. G. P. Kingsbury.

An inspiring message from the Woman's Board in Chicago was given by Mrs. C. F. Shirts. We then enjoyed a solo with violin obligato, "Lead, Kindly Light," sung by Mrs. Thomas B. Ford. Organist, Miss Matie Fuller. Violinist, Miss Hazel Clark.

The Business Committee, Mrs. Gibson, Chairman, appointed the fol-

lowing Committees:

Credentials-Mrs. Geo. H. Ferris, Detroit; Mrs. B. L. D'Ooge, Ypsilanti; Mrs. W. L. Martin, Benton Harbor.

Place of Meeting for 1914-Mrs. G. V. L. Cady, Jackson; Mrs. C. K.

McGee, Ann Arbor.

Resolutions-Mrs. E. R. Warner, Jackson; Mrs. Harvey Penney, Sag-

inaw; Mrs. Milo J. Sweet, Pontiac.

Nominations, to report one year later-Mrs. H. A. Putnam, Ludington; Mrs. Charles T. Patchell, Charlotte; Mrs. C. W. Elson, Grand Rapids.

The Treasurer, Mrs. E. H. Eichelzer, read her report. A motion was made to accept the report with thanks. Carried. Auditor's certificate was read by the President and accepted.

The Budget as recommended by the Executive Board for 1913 and 1914 was presented by Mrs. Eichelzer and each item accepted as read. Next came interesting reports from our Michigan Missionaries, as

follows:

Letters from Mrs. E. D. Marden, Constantinople, and Miss Janette Miller, Ochileoso, Africa, were read by Miss Latimer of Muskegon.

Miss Annie Howe gave us a word about Miss Grace Stowe of Kobe, Japan.

Letters from and about Miss Hoppin, Kusaie, Micronesia; letters from Mrs. McConnaughy telling of the work of her daughter, Miss Grace McConnaughy, Fen Chow Fu, China; and a letter from Miss Louise E. Miske, Peking, China, were read by Miss Latimer.

We were then privileged to hear from Miss Lucia Lyons about her

own work in China.

A beautiful tribute to Mrs. Josephine Coffing, a worker in Turkey, who passed away during the past year, was given by Mrs Knight of Detroit.

Adjourned for luncheon served by the women of Park Church.

During the luncheon hour the Young Women's Societies seated in the North Parlor were favored by short addresses by Mrs. C. F. Shirts, Chicago; Miss Lucia Lyons, China, and Miss Annie Howe of Kobe, Inc.

The afternoon session opened at 1:30 with the singing of the Hymn, "Sun of My Soul," the devotional service being in charge of Mrs. William Martin of Benton Harbor. Mrs. E. N. Thorne led in prayer, after which Mrs. Martin read from St. Paul's Epistle to the Ephesians, bringing out the thought of more definite prayer. The singing of another Hymn, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," closed this part of the program.

Next came the report of the Junior Secretary, Mrs. A. C. Diefenbach. Then a letter from Miss Cold, Hajin, Turkey, was read by Miss Dupres

of Traverse City.

We next listened to an address by Mrs. C. F. Shirts of Chicago, filled

with practical suggestions.

An interesting paper on "The Use and Abuse of Our Literature" was read by Mrs. E. L. Edwards of Ludington. An interesting discussion followed.

This was followed by a very helpful paper, "The Personal Touch,"

by Mrs. Daniel Upton of Muskegon.

A recommendation from the Executive Board was presented as follows: I move to amend By-Law No. 1 of the Constitution by substituting April for March. The By-Law reading thus: "The Branch shall hold its annual meeting the last week in April." A motion was made that the recommendation be adopted. Seconded and carried.

The Credential Committee reported fifty-six delegates present at the

meeting of the Michigan Branch of the W. B. M. I.

Mrs. E. R. Warner reported for the Committee on Resolutions.

Report of the Nominating Committee was read by Mrs. F. E. Hammond for the Chairman, Mrs. Hogue of Detroit. Motion was made that the report be accepted and the Committee discharged. Carried. Announcement was made of the sudden death of Mrs. E. S. Wessborg of Saginaw and the name of Mrs. Eliza Gubtil of Saginaw was substituted for the office of Fourth Vice-President.

Motion was made that the Secretary cast the ballot for the officers named. Carried and the ballot was so cast.

A motion was made that the Corresponding Secretary send a letter of sympathy to the family of Mrs. Wessborg. Carried.

We next listened to an inspiring address by Miss Lucia Lyons of China.

This was followed by Miss Annie Howe of Glory Kindergarten, Kobe, Japan, who fascinated us with her word pictures.

The Secretary's report for the day was read and accepted with a motion that the minutes of the Evening Session be added.

The evening service was opened by music by the Church Choir of twenty voices. The devotional service was in charge of Rev. C. O. Grieshaber of South Congregational Church. This being the day following the terrible floods at Dayton, our plans were directly influenced, as Dr. Dan F. Bradley of Cleveland was unable to come and give the address of the evening. However, we were very fortunate in securing Rev. Augustine Jones of South Haven, who kindly came to the rescue on short notice and gave a most interesting account of "The New Day in China." A collection was taken and the meeting adjourned to meet in April, 1914, in Pontiac.

MRS. GEO. T. BEMIS, Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

We wish to acknowledge, not merely in a conventional way, our hearty appreciation of the hospitality which has been everywhere manifest since the cordial welcome accorded us by our hostesses to this beautiful city. Automobiles with their willing and polite escorts have been in waiting for our transportation, and every facility which this church home so fully provides, has been freely offered for our comfort and convenience. At the delightful reception of last evening we realized that good fellowship which unity of purpose and consecrated aims often cement into real and lasting friendships.

That "music has great charm" has been more than exemplified to the members of this convention in the rendering of the solos by talented

musicians, touching the hearts of all.

Especially grateful for the presence of our Missionaries, Miss Howe and Miss Lyons, who come home filled with that enthusiasm known only to those who have made their sacrifice and accomplished their work.

We realize that our souls have been stirred and we return to our home church with renewed zeal to help in the great work of spreading

the Gospel in new fields.

We must record the closing of the life of Mrs. Robert Campbell, who passed away February 23, 1913, for many years identified with the Official Board of the Michigan Branch. Her interest and love for the cause was unflagging and her zeal increasing. After months of patient suffering she entered into rest.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HARVEY A. PENNEY, MRS. E. R. WARNER,

Committee.

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—		
Regular.		
Total Receipts from Societies	\$6.101 9	97
Personal Gifts	508	10
Pasnonsos to C O D Lettons		
Responses to C. Q. D. Letters	96	10
Collection, Annual Meeting, Saginaw	13 2	22
		- \$6,720 37
Special.		
Debt	\$107	. 00
Legacy, Mrs. E. Marie Knapp, Kalamazoo	921 9	12
Ann Arbor, S. S., for Dr. Beal's Hospital	35 (
Calymost C C for Mica Ellon Catlin		
Calumet, S. S., for Miss Ellen Catlin	37	
Lansing, Plymouth, for Miss Abbot, Samakov	20 (
Ypsilanti, for Dr. Beal's Hospital, India	25 (00
Grand Rapids, for Foo Chow Sta. Class Bldg	87 7	
Saginaw, for Cora May Welpton Memorial	5 (
		-1,23916
Total Receipts		. \$7,959 53
Disbursements-		
Remitted Mrs. S. E. Hurlbut, Treasurer, W. B. M. I.,		
Regular	\$6,621 4	1,6
Remitted Mrs. S. E. Hurlbut, Treasurer, W. B. M. I.,		
Special	1,239 1	B
	98 9	
Expenses as per itemized account	98 5	
		- \$7,959 53
Expenses—		
To Traveling Expenses, Mrs. Lydia Lord Davis,		
	\$10 6	20
Annual Meeting		
To Traveling Expenses, Dr. Patchell, Annual Meeting	5 4	
To Printing and Stationery	63 6	37
To Postage, Corresponding Secretary	5 8	97
To Postal Cards, Printed	5 2	
To Postage, Assistant Corresponding Secretary	2 (
To Postage, Juvenile Secretary	6 (00
		- \$98 91
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MRS. E. H. EICHELZER, Treasurer.

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL BROTHERHOOD.

MINUTES.

The fourth annual meeting of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood was held in Cadillac in connection with the seventy-second annual meeting of the State Conference on May 20, 1913. The annual banquet was served in the dining rooms of the First Congregational Church at 6:30 to about 160 delegates and members.

The business session was called to order by President S. E. Clark. In the absence of the Secretary, Mr. Casper Ramsby, of Cadillac, was appointed secretary pro tem. The minutes

of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The President appointed the following committees: On nominations, Mr. F. E. Bogart, Mr. L. P. Haight, Rev. W. J. Campbell. On resolutions, Rev. Bastian Smits, Rev. H. A. Putnam.

The Secretary-Treasurer's annual report was read, accepted and placed on file. The President's annual report was presented by Mr. S. E. Clark.

The company adjourned to the audience room of the church

and the following program was rendered:

Michigan Congregational Extension Fund-Supt. J. W.

Sutherland.

Duties of Association Vice Presidents—By Rev. I. W. Stuart.

What the Brotherhood Can Do for the Local Minister—By Rev. James Hyslop.

The Five Hundred Dollar Fund-By Mr. L. P. Haight.

The Committee on Nominations reported as follows: Officers for the ensuing year, President, Mr. S. E. Clark; Vice President, Mr. W. T. Warren; Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. H. B. Clement. On motion the report was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on Resolutions reported as follows: "That the Brotherhood of Michigan take great pleasure in extending a hearty vote of thanks to the ladies of the Congregational Church of Cadillac for so gracefully and generously serving us in our needs at this our fourth annual session." The report was unanimously adopted.

The President, in his annual report, recommended the appointment of a committee to revise the Brotherhood Constitution, which recommendation was, on motion, adopted. The President appointed as such a committee: Supt. J. W. Sutherland, Rev. I. W. Stuart, and Rev. James Hyslop.

erland, Rev. I. W. Stuart, and Rev. James Hyslop.
Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, of Brooklyn, Moderator of the
National Council, was presented to the meeting and gave a

short informal talk.

The meeting then listened to a very interesting and instructive lecture on the History of Congregationalism, illustrated with stereopticon views by Rev. E. W. Bishop, of Grand Rapids. Meeting adjourned.

CASPER RAMSBY, Secretary Pro Tem.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER.

There have been some requests for information regarding the methods of organizing local Brotherhoods, and regarding plans for work. We have been glad to reply to these and to give such information and assistance as we could. We have drafted a model constitution, and have sent to each party making inquiries a copy of it, and have also sent a copy to each of the association vice presidents for reference. A number of new Brotherhoods have been formed, and the pastors write me enthusiastically of the assistance they have been. Another year should see the movement spread throughout the state.

The funds received since October have amounted to \$195.00 in all. The entire amount has been forwarded to the Treasurer of the National Brotherhood in Chicago. We deeply regret that the full amount of our pledge for the state was not raised, but it seems certain when the work of the National Brotherhood is better known among our people, they will give all the assistance possible.

Respectfully submitted.

H. B. CLEMENT.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

The present officers of the Michigan Congregational Brotherhood were elected at Alpena one year ago. Up to that time not one of them had ever had any experience in State Brotherhood work. But each accepted the office to which he was elected, and the next question was: What are we to do? It seemed to all of us that the first and most important thing to do was to organize Brotherhoods. We found that of all the Congregational Churches in Michigan, less than forty had Brotherhoods. Due inquiry as to why there were so few seemed to show that either the ministers themselves were afraid of Brotherhoods or else they had no understanding of the many things a Brotherhood could do for the church and the minister in forwarding the church work.

The next question was: How are we going to do this work of organizing Brotherhoods? We had no funds, not even enough to buy a postal card; none of us had time to travel from church to church trying to create a desire in the local church for a Brotherhood. We then woke up to the fact that the State is divided into Local Associations, and we thought there must be at least one minister in each Association that believed in Brotherhoods, and that if we could hardly expect to come in personal contact with every minister in the State, we might stand some chance of coming in contact with one in each association. We then consulted with Supt. Sutherland. He approved our plans and at our request suggested a minister in each Association whom he thought would accept the appointment and do whatever he could to help along the work. The results proved that he knew his men, for not one refused the appointments, and nearly every one replied very cordially to our letters of notification, accepted the appointment, and offered to do all he could to carry out the plans in spite of the fact that the notice was sent on stationery on which his name was already printed. At the same conference Supt. Sutherland explained to us the intention of the State Conference to print a Bulletin or News Letter each month and very kindly offered to set off space for the use of the Brotherhood. This offer we gladly accepted, and about all the communications we have sent out to all the churches have been the ones

appearing in the Bulletin.

At the annual meeting of the conference held in Port Huron two years ago the Brotherhood got under or got behind—or took over as its work (or its first great job, if you please) the Congregational Extension Fund, and if what has been done for and by this fund is any indication of what the Brotherhood can do when it once gets its harness on and settled into the collar,—you Mr. Ambitious Minister (and what minister or man who is not a minister ever gets very far if he is not ambitious) will be promoting your Master's work if you organize your Brotherhood immediately.

Last October your President and Vice President attended the annual meeting of the National Congregational Brotherhood at Oberlin. A report of this meeting, prepared by Vice President Warren, was printed in the December Bulletin. The meeting was notable for many things. One was that more delegates were present than at any previous annual meeting. Another, that the National Brotherhood was up against the financial problem hard, in spite of the fact that their budget is only \$7,500 per year. Another, it was decided that the National Brotherhood should attempt to maintain itself until October, 1913, in the same way it had in the past, and that the whole problem of the future of the National Brotherhood should then be referred to the National Conference which meets at Kansas City in October of this year. And still another, that the former officers of the Michigan Brotherhood had pledged \$500 to the National Brotherhood to help maintain it until that time.

Being in Chicago in March, and having some extra time on my hands, I decided to call upon Secretary Atkinson of the National Brotherhood. I found a well equipped office, well located, and with every facility for conducting the business of the National Brotherhood; but what was more important, I had unexpectedly walked in on the quarterly meeting of the National Executive Committee. I was very cordially invited to attend the session, which I did, and met a body of earnest able Christian gentlemen, who were giving their time and money to promote the great work of Brotherhood on the line that Congregational men would do such work. The unselfish devotion of these men to this Brotherhood movement was astonishing to me. I had the pleasure of listening to the quarterly report of the Secretary. I have a copy of it here, and

I am going to take the liberty of reading it to you. I think this report gives a better idea of what the National Brotherhood is trying to do than anything I could say. As you will see, the Brotherhood work in its greater usefulness is likely to be along social service lines,—the work of work which our

work does not push as a separate organized activity.

I wish to thank Mr. L. P. Haight, of Muskegon, for his valuable assistance during the past year, and particularly for his work on the financial problem. This question must be settled for the National Brotherhood, for the State Brotherhood, and for the local Brotherhood. Neither the Brotherhood nor any part of it should in my opinion be a money-raising institution. There is quite enough of the energy, the hard work, and the ability of the men of our church devoted to that kind of work already. I think all three of these bodies should be financed exactly after the plan adopted by the First Church of Detroit, of which I am glad to be a member. The Wm. H. Davis Brotherhood of the First Church of Detroit is Chapter No. 1. The National Brotherhood was born in the Old First. Our Brotherhood marked time for a few years, a banquet was held occasionally and new officers elected, but nothing was done. There seemed to be nothing to do. Shortly after Dr. Huget came to us, however, he suggested that the Brotherhood take charge of the evening service. I think any minister will agree that this was something to do-something worth the work and energy of any man. But at once the financial question came up—we would need money for advertising, for printing, for postage and other things, so the Prudential Committee told us to go ahead and they would look after the expenses, cautioned us to be careful and conservative, and said if we went too far they would call a halt. We have not been halted yet, and we haven't had to spend one bit of our time or energies looking after money to pay our bills. According to our plan of organization we have a President, Secretary-Treasurer, and five others, making seven members of the Executive Committee; and every male member of the church or society, 21 years of age and over, is a member of our Brotherhood. And this is the plan I think should be adopted by every local Brother-

It may sound like rather a loose organization, but it is the strongest kind of organization; and what is vastly more important, if the church itself keeps its hands on the purse strings, and if every man of the church is by that act alone

a member of the Brotherhood, then the Brotherhood can never be taken outside of the church. Your Brotherhood will be all the men of the church organized to do church work, and not a few of your men organized as church men to do work that might be taken outside or be operated independent of the interests of the church. The tendency for a good many years has been to sap the church of much of its power and centralized force, by one organization of church men after another going away from the church to find something to do. Interest your men in some work within the church and keep them there. Name your men's organization the "Brotherhood" and your minister will have a force of men organized to work a flying wedge that he can steer up against any job that needs to be done, such jobs as are not already within the duties of the present officers of the church. I think also the State Brotherhood should be financed in the same way by the State Conference, and the National Brotherhood after the same plan by the National Conference. I have here a copy of the State Brotherhood Constitution. It is a well written document but I think it can be improved. I recommend that a committee of three be appointed of which Supt. Sutherland shall be one, to revise the constitution and report at the next annual meeting.

In the January bulletin a request was made for a report from each Brotherhood. To this request not one reply was received. It did not seem wise to us to send out another such request through the mails, and for that reason we cannot give you any information at this time of what the different Brotherhoods have done during the year, although we do know that a great deal has been done. We prepared a dummy Brotherhood constitution and offered to supply one to any church requesting a copy. A few were asked for, and in each case were sent. Your officers may have been working along the wrong lines during the past year, the lack of results would seem to so indicate; but we shall be more than pleased to be set right. Our only desire is to do what we can to further the Master's work that His Kingdom may come to earth as it is in Heaven.

SEWARD E. CLARK.

THE LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Cheboygan.

Organized, Feb. 13, 1878.

Registrar, Rev. A. A. Allington, Gaylord.

Meetings-Second Wednesday of May and first Wednesday of November.

Churches.

Alba	Cheboygan
Atlanta	Eastport
Bellaire	Echo
Big Rock	Ellsworth
Central Lake	Gaylord
Charlevoix	Hetherton

Ironton Rondo Vanderbilt Johannesburg Wolverine Kalkaska Lewiston Mancelona

	TI Comm	C. E. Taggart
A. A. Allington	E. Corey	- 60
P. A. Arnold	J. L. Donovan	Jonathan Turner
Wm. Childs	C. I. Miller	A. Van Auken
G. H. Cole	C. J. Strang	H. J. L. Wooley

Licentiates.

F. H. Bridgewater

Albert Dawe

B. D. Snook

Committees.

Advisory-Rev. C. E. Taggart, Rev. A. Van Auken, Rev. A. A. Allington, Mr. J. E. Wiggins, Mr. H. B. Whalley.
A. B. C. F. M.-Mrs. C. E. Taggart.

Sunday School-Mr. J. E. Wiggins, Mr. A. D. Grigsby, Mr. T. Wilkinson.

Detroit.

Organized, May 4, 1887.

Registrar, Rev. Mac H. Wallace, Detroit.

Meetings-Fourth Tuesday of April and October.

Churches.

Detroit.	First	Dundee	Rochester
ii ii	North Woodward Ave.	Flat Rock	Rockwood
**	Fort Street	Maybee	Royal Oak
	Mt. Hope	Metamora	Utica
**	Brewster	Newport	Wayne
**	Boulevard	Orion	Wyandotte
**	Highland Park	Oxford	,
4.6	Oakwood	Pontiac	

	Ministers.
m. B. Forbush	Charles W. Jones
ewis C. Frost	Paul Kozielek
ohn C. Gibson	Charles C. Lowther
Lee Grant	Archie McCallum
ames C. Hageman	David C. McNair
P. Huget	Wm. Mitchell
F. Hutchinson	F. C. Pillsbury
m. J. Jacobs	James C. Robinson

Wm. I. St. John John W. Sutherland Milo J. Sweet Albert T. Swing James M. Turner Mac H. Wallace Wm. H. Warren

Committees.

Advisory Committee-Wm. H. Wetherbee, J. Percival Huget, David C. McNair, Mac H. Wallace, Wm. J. Jacobs.

Eastern.

Organized, March 12, 1840. Registrar, Mr. N. Cawthorne, Port Huron. Meetings-First Tuesday of May and Third Tuesday of October.

Churches.

Almont Armada	Helena Imlay City	Port "	Huron,	Twenty-fourth St.	Richmond Romeo
Carsonville Chesterfield Columbus	Memphis New Baltimore New Haven	**	Sanllac	Ross Memorial Sturgis Memorial	St. Clair White Rock

Ministers.

Gilbert H. Bacheler	Rolph J. Duff .	John Lambrecht
George E. Brown	George P. Endy	W. H. Sargent
Wm. C. Campbell	Edward H. Eppens	Wm. M. Todd
Thomas Cooke	Ralph H. Ferris	Arthur Walker

Licentiates.

E. M. Salter

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Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Rev. John Lambrecht. Rev. Edward H. Eppens, Rev. Thomas Cooke, Rev. W. J. Campbell. Foreign Missionary-Rev. George P. Endy., The American Missionary Association-Rev. W. M. Todd.

Licensure and Course of Study-Rev. G. H. Bacheler.

Sunday School-Rev. John Lambrecht, Mrs. A. W. Collins, Mr. H. J. Vogt.

Genesee.

Organized, October 14, 1845. Registrar, Rev. George Benford, Grand Blanc. Meeting-Fourth Tuesday of September.

Churches.

Bancroft	Grand Blanc	Ovid	Shaftsburg
Belford	Hartland	Owosso	Tyrone
Deerfield	Highland	Perry	Vernon
Durand	Laingsburg	St. Johns	Victor
Flint	Linden		

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eorge Benford	Carlos H. Hanks	Nathan W. Pierce
homas E. Bennett	T. C. Jones	M. F. Scouten
rnest Evans	Matthew Mullen	W. H. Shannon
dward H. Harbridge	Lincoln Ostrander	Edwin Woolley
lara L. Harbridge	M. G. Powley	

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Rev. C. H. Hanks, Rev. George Benford, Rev. Ernest Evans, Rev. M. G. Powley.

Foreign Missionary-Mr. W. R. Shaw, Ovid.

Sunday School-Mr. Alonzo Crane, Owosso, Rev. Thomas E. Bennett. Licensure and Course of Study-Rev. C. H. Hanks, Rev. Ernest Evans. Church Building-Rev. L. Ostrander.

Gladstone.

Organized, August 29, 1888.

Registrar, Rev. W. Roy Columbus.

Meeting-Last Thursday in June.

Churches.

Cooks Fayette Garden Gladstone Isabella Rapid River Wells

Licentiates.

Thomas Ainslie

Harry H. Patterson W. R. Columbus

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Rev. Thomas Ainslie, C. U. Woolpert, Raymond R. Emp-

Grand Rapids.

Organized, January 8, 1846.

Registrar, Rev. D. A. Holman Grand Rapids.

Gd. Rapids, Smith Mem'l Jenison

Meetings-Second Monday of April and October.

Churches.

Ada, First Ada, Second Allendale Alpine, Trinity Bass River Bradley Cannon Cannonsburg Cedar Springs Clarksville

Conklin Corinth Douglas East Nelson East Paris Elmdale Freeport

" " Plymouth East 46 " Wallin Mem'l Moline Grandville Howard City Grand Rapids, 1st Hudsonville South Bos

" 2nd Johnstown and Barry Wayland
" "South

Comstock Pk. Middleville Rockford Saugatuck South Boston

Lamont

Lowell

Ministers.

Edwin W. Bishop E. C. Chevis Phillip M. Cripps Clarence Finster James F. Fryer Frank Fulkerson Robert Gordon L. E. Hague D. A. Holman

John T. Husted Ira B. Jones W. D. King A. H. Lash Isaac B. Lillie Herbert McConnell Samuel T. Morris Wm. D. Ogg C. C. Omans

Wm. Parker Fred Pinch George A. Pollard Levi P. Rowland Charles H. Seaver Arthur H Sturgis Iman Wisse F. E. York

Licentiates.

Harley A. Lewis J. George Peters R. L. Wintz

H. Heafield

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Rev. H. McConnell, Silas M. Wright, L. Z. Caukin, Rev. D. A. Holman, Rev. J. T. Husted. Foreign Missionary-Miss Carrie A. Scott. A. M. A.-Mrs. Lulu Savage. Ministerial Relief-Rev. W. D. Ogg. Sunday School-Rev. S. T. Morris. Educational Society-Rev. C. O. Grieshaber. Church Building Society-Silas M. Wright.

Grand Traverse.

Organized, January 1, 1863. Registrar, Rev. Demas Cochlin, Traverse City-Meetings-First Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of October.

Churches.

Onekema Honor Benzonia Lake Ann Pleasanton Buckley Manistee Sherman Cedar Suttons Bay Champion Hill Maple City Thompsonville Northport East Lake Traverse City, First Old Mission Frankfort Oak Pk. Omena Gilmore Homestead

Ministers.

George D. Lyford F. M. Chapin Robert Adams Harlow S. Mills Demas Cochlin Edwin I. Ayer B. C. Robbins . C. M. Coulter Alfred Bentall John J. Staley C. H. Harger W. C. Bowins Stephen Vaughan J. S. Beers Robert Houston Leroy Warren Elihu Linkletter G. R. Catton .

Licentiate.

Rex O. Holman.

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Rev. Demas Cochlin, Rev. F. M. Chapin, Rev. H. S. Mills, Rev. A. Bentall, Rev. Stephen Vaughan. Foreign Missionary-Mrs. Wm. Love, Mrs. Lerov Warren, Mrs. L. McConnaughey. Sunday School-Mrs. F. W. White, Rev. C. H. Harger.

Licensure and Credentials-Rev. A. Bentall, Rev. H. S. Mills, Rev. Stephen. Vaughan.

Church Building Society Correspondent-Rev. D. Cochlin.

Jackson.

Organized, May 1, 1866.

Registrar, Rev. W. C. Allen, Leslie,

Meetings-Third Tuesday in April and October.

Churches.

Jackson, Plymouth Ann Arbor Chelsca Leslie Dexter Michigan Center Grass Lake Pinckney Hamburg Salem, First Jackson, First

Salem, Second Sandstone Union City Webster Ypsilanti

Ministers.

Wm. C. Allen Arthur G. Beach Allan J. Blair Frederick H. Bodman Charles S. Calhoun Walter A. Cutler Percy V. Dawe Martin L. D'Ooge C. J. Dole Arthur Fairbanks A. G. Gates Matthew Knowles

O. Lloyd Morris
W. H. Ripon
Frank M. Sheldon
Bastian Smits
Arthur A. Wall
A. A. Wood

Licentiate.

Clifton G. Speer

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee—Rev. F. M. Sheldon, Rev. A. J. Blair, Rev. O. L. Morris, Rev. W. C. Allen.

Licensure and Course of Study—Rev. C. J. Dole, Rev. A. J. Blair, Rev. Matthew Knowles.

Kalamazoo.

Organized, June 1, 1849.

Registrar, Rev. S. E. Kelley, Allegan,

Meetings-Second Tuesday of April and third Tuesday of October.

Alamo
Allegan
Athens
Augusta
Bangor
Bangor, West
Baroda
Bedford
Benton Harbor
Bridgman
Coloma
Constantine

Churches.
Cooper
Covert
Dowagiac
Fredonia
Galesburg
Grand Junction
Hartford
Hilliards
Hopkins, First
"Second
Kalamazoo
Kendall

Lawrence
Leonidas
Leroy
Mattawan
Otsego
Sawyer
St. Joseph
South Haven
Texas
Three Oaks
Vicksburg
Watervliet

Ministers.

J. F. Bacon
C. D. Banister
F. W. Bush
F. E. Carter
Frank Davis
Walter B. Denny
W. B. Dickinson
A. C. Diefenbach
Parvin M. France
W. H. Fuller

Wm. W. Gadd
R. Eugene Griggs
Edward H. Harvey
Fred Harrison
Augustine Jones
Samuel E. Kelley
C. W. Long
John Mac Leod
Wm. Mitchell
Wm. Millar

Ezra Morehouse
James A. Otis
Ulysses G. Rich
Wm. H. Skentelbury
Wilmot E. Stevens
Henry C. Snyder
Albert H. Stoneman
Isaac Terborgh
Wm. H. Walker
Henry Wilson

Licentiates.

H. W. W. Allen, Alfred G. Walton, J. H. Roger, Harper R. Burns.

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Mr. S. O. Hartwell, Rev. Frank Davis, Rev. Augustine Jones.

Credentials, Licensure and Course of Study-Revs, W. E. Stevens, A. H. Stoneman, S. E. Kelley.

Foreign Missions-Rev. Augustine Jones.

Church Building Society-Rev. W. E. Stevens.

Sunday School-Rev. Frank Davis.

American Missionary Association-Rev. W. H. Fuller.

Lake Superior.

Registrar, Prof. James Fisher, Jr., Houghton. Organized, August 12, 1879. Meetings-April and October.

Churches.

Beacon Hill Calumet Chassell Hancock

Hubbell Ironwood Kenton

Lake Linden Red Jacket Redridge

Ministers.

D. R. Atkins Frederick Bagnall

Mandus Barrett Jesse Povey Luther K. Long

Licentiate.

Stephen J. Paull.

Standing Committees. Advisory Committee-Mr. D. K. Macdonald, Rev. Mandus Barrett, Rev. Frederick Bagnall, Mr. W. B. Anderson.

Lansing.

Organized, March 30, 1880. Registrar, Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Stanton. Meetings-Third Monday of March and Fourth Monday of September.

Belding Butternut Carmel Carson City Charlotte Chippewa Lake Coral Crystal East Lansing Eaton Rapids Edmore

Churches. Fenwick Grand Ledge Greenville Lake Odessa Lake View Lansing, Plymouth
Pilgrim
Mayflower Millets Mulliken

Nevins Lake

Olivet

Portland Rodney Saranac Sheridan Shiloh Sidney Six Lakes Stanton Vermontville Wacousta

Williamston

Onondaga

Ministers.

G. H. Alexander John Bliss Arie Binkhorst Fred R. Bunker John Claffin Edrie Collins Fred W. Corbett Robert Dalzell Joseph L. Daniels Wellington De Puy James E. Foote Frank H. Foster Darius N. Goodrich Robert Goldsmith E. F. Gray E. I. Grinnell Ray M. Hardy George B. Hatfield Ellsworth G. Lancaster Archie F. Soule N. D. Lamphear Wm. J. Massey Thos. R. McRoberts Norman L. Otis St. Claire Parsons C. T. Patchell Wm. J. Prestige

C. E. Robinson John P. Sanderson Peter Schermerhorn Arthur F. Skeele A. H. Snelgrove F. P. Sprague W. S. Steensma Charles I. Taylor S. D. Wellwood Wm. Wiedenhoeft Wolcott B. Williams James S. Williamson

Licentiates.

J. W. Alder, R. T. Caldwell, Edwin Humphrey, W. E. Lyon.

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Rev. C. I. Taylor, Mr. John W. S. Pierson, Rev. A. F. Skeele, Rev. J. S. Williamson

Foreign Missionary-Rev. Frank H. Foster, Rev. John Claffin.

Sunday School Committee-Lorenzo Webber, Rev. G. H. Alexander, Rev. E. F. Gray.

Licensure and Course of Study-Rev. Wm. Wiedenhoeft, Rev. St. Clare Parsons. Church Building Society Correspondent-Rev. J. E. Foote. American Missionary Association-Rev. Edrie Collins.

Muskegon.

Organized, January 30, 1884.

Registrar, Rev. F. W. Sass, Muskegon.

Meetings-Last Monday of March and third Monday of September.

Churches.

Big Prairie Fremont Fruitport Grand Haven Hart

Muskegon, First Highland Park 44 Jackson Street Newaygo

Shelby White Cloud Whitehall

Nunica

Ministers.

Archibald Hadden George H. Hancock Andrew B. Imrie

Fred W. Ollis R. W. Paul David Richie

F. W. Sass G. C. Speer Daniel Truman

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Revs. Archibald Hadden, Frederick W. Sass, Daniel Truman, Rev. G. H. Hancock, Rev. R. W. Paul.

Sunday School-Rev. F. W. Sass.

Foreign Missions-Rev. Archibald Hadden. Young People's Society-Rev. A. B. Imrie,

North Central.

Organized, March 11, 1873. Registrar, Rev. C. Upham, Hersey.

Meetings—Tuesday after the third Monday in September.

Churches.

Baldwin Clare
Big Rapids, First Custer
Big Rapids, Twp Dover
Cadillac Farwell
Chase Fern

Harrison Hersey Ludington Reed City

Ministers.

Wm. A. Cooledge James Davies George W. Heator W. A. Hutchinson George W. Kinney Henry C. McComas E. J. Millington Noah J. Myers

H. A. Putnam Clement Upham F. M. Woodmansee

Licentiates.

Ira E. Kinney.

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Mr. W. L. Hammond, Rev. W. A. Hutchinson, Rev. E. J. Millington, Mr. V. H. Hanchett.

Saginaw.

Organized, May 12, 1886. Registrar, Rev. Robert Stapleton, Saginaw. Meetings—The Wednesday next after the second Monday in October.

Churches.

Alpena Bay City Breckenridge Bridgeport Essexville Freeland Long Rapids Merrill Roscommon

Saginaw, First " Genesee St. Standish

Tawas City

Ministers.

A. L. Allison
N. S. Bradley
Victor F. Brown
George H. Coman
John W. Erskine

A. Elisworth Hill Jacob H. Lewis George E. Northrup Albert E. Pomeroy J. Tilden Sloan F. A. Smith Robert Stapleton W. D. J. Stevenson Irving W. Stuart

Licentiates.

Albert Dawe, H. Kreulen, T. H. Jones.

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee—Rev. N. S. Bradley, Rev. I. W. Stuart, Rev. Victor F. Brown, Rev. Robert Stapleton, Mr. Frank L. Kleinfeld.

Credentials and Licensure—Rev. Victor F. Brown, Rev. N. S. Bradley, Rev. Robert Stapleton.

Church Building Society—Rev. Robert Stapleton.

Sault Ste. Marie.

Organized, March 17, 1880. Registrar, Mrs. Ella Soden, S. S. Marie, R. D.

Meetings-Fourth Tuesday and Wednesday of June.

Churches.

Allenville Drummond Pine Grove Mackinac Island Rosedale Brimley

Ministers.

Wm. Etheridge George D. Strickland Harry Appleton

Licentiate.

Nathaniel Skidmore.

Standing Committee.

Advisory Committee-Mr. W. R. Gilbert, Mrs. E. Soden, Rev. Harry Appleton, Rev. N. Skidmore.

Southern.

Organized, June 27, 1848.

Registrar, Rev. E. R. Latham, Clinton,

Meetings—Third Monday in April and October.

Churches.

Hudson Prattville Algansee Addison Jefferson Ransom Batavia Litchfield Somerset Mattison Tipton Bethel West Adrian Bronson Morenci Clinton North Adams Wheatland East Gilead Pittsford

Ministers.

John H. Ashby Edwin Ewell A. Joseph Kempton Ernest R. Latham John S. Gillespie Thomas G. Baxter Henry Coate Walter T. Hinzman Jared R. Preston Henry P. Collin É. Jasper Sipes James Hyslop John E. Courter

Licentiates.

Alton B. Lucas, Clarence D. Oberlin.

Standing Committees.

Advisory Committee-Rev. John E. Courter, Rev. H. P. Collin, Mr. J. F. Douglass, Rev. Edwin Ewell, Rev. Ernest R. Latham.

Foreign Missionary-Rev. John E. Courter,

Sunday School-Rev. H. P. Collin.

Church Building Society-Rev. James Hyslop.

American Missionary Association-Rev. Ernest R. Latham.

BRANCH, MISSION AND OUT-STATION SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of School	Superintendent	Superintendent's Address	Mem- bers
Berlamont	Victor Siggins	Grand Junction	40
Beonville	Rev. Mr. Sibole	Traverse City	
Rush	E. E. Stone	Bellaire, R. D. 3	40
Camp 10	Mr. Snyder	Bellaire, R. D. 3	29
Clearbrook	F. W. Good	East Jordan, R. D. 3 Cedar	40
Detroit, Pilgrim	Rev. Paul Kozielek	955 Forest Ave	130
Edwards	Mrs. Curtis Dobbyn	Beulah	56
Gordon	Mrs. Lovica Barton	, Muskegon, R. D. 6 Woodville	40
Hetherton		Woodlawn	20
Inwood Mission	Mrs. Ida Phillips	Vanderbilt	30
Kellevville	E. C. Ewing	,Kaleva Atlanta Covert	32
Liberty Union	N. G. Clark	Merrill, R. D. 1	35
McCormack	Mrs. E. McCormack	Lewiston	20
Murner	. Lester Ballow Mrs. Cahow	Gaylord, R. D. 1 Thorice	25
North Crystal	George Snell Miss Ethel Johnston.	Beulah Ogontz South Haven, R. D. 3	15
Pleasant Valley	Frank Akin	Bellaire, R. D. 3 Central Lake, R. D. 3	40
Rockery	. J. H. Jones H. O. Miller	Chestonia Fremont, R. D. 5 Thompsonville, R. D. 2	45
Torch Lake	Miss D. Dunning	Benzonia	35
Union	Mrs. Charles W. Coon	East Jordan, R. D. 5 Wellston	40
Westwood	Mrs. Etta Woodham	Wancelona	*** 99
Total			Annual Property lies

MICHIGAN CONGREGATIONAL CONFERENCE.

Statistics for fiscal year ending December 31, 1912.

Names of ministers not connected with any Congregational Association in Michigan are enclosed in brackets.

Sunday Schools reporting a Home Department are indicated with an "h." installed pastors by "l", and pastors recognized by Council by "r". Boys Organizations appear under Men's Organizations and are indicated by "z".

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MINISTRAS	Names		[Ji D. Livingstone, Sept.]	C. D. Banister,*	[Burton D. Snook, Lie.]	Prenties H. Case, Sup. P.	Samuel E. Kelley.	[Harold Heafield, Lie.]*	Eugene I. Grinnell,	George P. Endy,	Irving W. Stuart.	Chester C. Omana,*	Frank M. Sheldon,	Artbur Walker,	W. W. Gadd,		Ilra E. Kinney, Léc.1	Wm. H. Shannon,	Lawrence G. Kent, as	Lawrence G. Kent,	Henry Wm. West Allen, L.	[Harold Reafield, Luc.]"	Victor F. Brown.	[Stephen J. Paull, Lie.] o.	J. H. Roger, Lic. pa	Edrie Collins,		Arthur C. Diefenbach.	Harlow S. Mills,	I [Rex O. Holman, asst., L.	Chorne W. Kinney.	W. A. Hutchinson.
CLERKS	Names	849 1871 Mrs. Jerome Cramton,	Miss Florence Bickford,	Mrs. Martha A. Peck.			Ernest N. Hulley,		Mrs. B. McCauley,		Charles W. McLean,	1871 Mrs. E. H. Rogers.*	G. Claude Drake,	Charles F. Lathrop,	George H. MeMillen,	Miss Riedle Moose	Miss Mand C. Townsend.	Mrs Helen G. Parker,	James D. Ferguson,	Miss J. Etta Wilcox, bb	1896 Wm. E. Hogue,		875 1876 H. N. Rendlev, w.p.	1903 Joseph H. Martin,	848 1893 Miss Gertie Crawford, 44	E. B. Lapham,	883 1884 Mrs. Carrie Hemetreet.	J. D. McKellar.			890 1891 Mrs. Sadie Osborn,**	H J. Heydenburg.
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NAMES OF CHURCHES ADDED: Champlon Hill: Detroit, Oakwood; Grand Rapids, Comstock Park.

NAMES OF CHURCHES DROPPED: Canandalgus; Cresco; Cleon and Marilla; Copemish; Eastmanville; Hubbardston; frequois; Mio; Oakwood; Potterville; Frout Creek; Warren; Westville.

CHURCHES: Supplied by, -Pastors Installed, & pastors recognized, it pastors, 187; Ilcentiates, 29; supplies, 21; vacant, 57. Total 319.

MINISTERS: Pastors Installed, & pastors recognized, I; pastors, 196, supplying churches, 48. Total, 210. Without charge, 89. Total number of ministers, 285.
MENNERGHIF: No. of males, 10,489, No. of females, 22,670. Total, 32,556. Absent, 4,494. Additions,—on confession, Li56, by letter, 1,125. Total, 2,744.
BAPTISSE, Addits, 554; Infants, 672.
FAMILIES: 27,670.
SUNDAY SCHOOLS: Members, 25,886.*

* Includes 48 Branch and Mission schools with enrollment of 1,771.

YOUNG PROPLE'S SOCIETIES: Societies, 118; members, 4,877.

MEN'S ORGANIZATIONS: Societies, 64; members, 3,412.

CONTRIBUTIONS: American Board (churches, 110), \$5,589. Women's Boards (89), \$6,036, Congregational Education Society (80), \$835. Congregational Church Building Society (144), \$2,036; Congregational Home Missionary Society (256), \$17,477; American Missionary Association (86), \$3,210; Congregational Sunday-School and Publishing Society (184), \$2,638. Ministerial Relief (86), \$1,085, Total (273), \$88,938. Other and special Congregational gifts (76), \$13,272; undenominational gifts (80), \$7,806. Grand total, (274), \$60,547.

HOME EXPENSES: No. of churches reporting, 245; amount, \$415,709.
INCHARASE: Sunday School Members, 1.874; Societies, \$898; Total (114s, \$5,309; Home Expense, \$17,138; Value of Property, \$67,175; Dechkarse: Churches, 10; Members, 69; Young People's Societies, Members, 28;
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COMPARATIVE STATISTICAL EXHIBIT.

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NAMES OF MINISTERS.

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Adams, Robert	Ordin	ation.			
Alexander, George H	1876	, July	21		G. T.
Allen, Wm. C	1912,	sept.			L.
Allington, A. A	1878	, Uct.		Leslie	
Allison, Alexander L	1906,	May		.Gaylord	
Appleton, Harry	1903	, July	10	Freeland	8.
Arnold, P. A	1931,	Mar.	18	.S. S. Marie	S. S. M.
Ashby, John H	1911,	Nov.	9	.Kalkaska	C.
Atkins, Doane R.	1977		21	Morenel	
			90	.Traverse City	L. S.
Bacheler, Gilbert H	1800	Out.	11	Richmond	G. T.
Bacon, J. F	1001		11	Honking	
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Banister, Charles D	1998	Inna	16	Kendall	
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Baxter, Thomas G	1992	Mar	19	Jonesville	I. S.
Beach, Arthur G	1897	Och	19	Ann Arbor	7
Beers, J. S	1901	Sont	15	Thompsonville	C T
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Bennett, Thomas E	1907	May	14	Vernon	Gen
Bentall, Alfred	1002	Maw	13	Northport	G T
Binkhorst, Arie	1895,	April	25	Cody, Wyo	
Bishop, Edwin W	1898,	Nov.	11	Grand Rapids	G. R.
Blair, Allan J	1899,	Aug.	29	Jackson	I
Bliss, John	1863,	Sept.	16	Crystal	
Bodman, Frederic H	1905,	May	27	Battle Creek	
Bowins, Wm. C	1912,	Oct.	8	Cedar	G. T.
Bradley, Nelson S	1889,	Mar.	12	Saginaw	
Brown, George E	1908,	Sept.	29	Carsonville	E.
Bunker, Fred R	1893,	July	6	Bay City	S.
Bush, Fred W	888,	Sept.		Medfield, Mass	
Calhoun, Charles 81	1871,	May	16	Hopkins	K.
Campbell, Wm. J1	901,	Sept.	12	Dexter	J.
Carter, F. E.	900,	Sept.	26	Port Huron	E.
Carter, F. E	919			Allegan	
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Chevis, Ernest C1	890	Ann	19	Traverse City	
Childs, William	891	June	24	Middleville	G. K.
Classin, John	886	Nov	16	Kalkaska Eaton Rapids	
Coate, Henry	874.	July	8 3	Morenel	
Cochlin, Demas1	890.	Dec.	2	Traverse City	80.
Cole, G. Henry	910,	Sept.	1	Wolverine	T.
Colledge, Wm. A 1	885	Maw	2	Chicago, Ill	W C
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Collins, Edrie	1909,	Oct.	19, Belding	L.
Coman, George Henry	1910,	Oct.	27 Breckenridge	
Cooke, Thomas	1912,	June	14Port Huron	E.
Corbett, Fred W	1892,	Sept.	18 Lansing	L.
Corey, Ephriam	1872,	Feb.	22Bellaire	C.
Coulter, Cyrenius N	1867,	Sept.	19Traverse City	G. T.
Courter, John E	1883,	Oct.	18 Pittsford	So.
Crawford, Otis D	1872,	Nov.	1Grand Rapids	G. R.
Cripps, Phillip M	1878,	Sept.	15 Grand Rapids	G. R.
Cutler, Walter A	1895,	May	5Grass Lake	J.
Dalzell, Robert			1Vermontville	L.
Daniels, Joseph L			27 Tyron, N. C	L.
Davies, James			26Mulliken	
Davis, Frank				
Dawe, Percy V			12 Union City	
Denny, Walter B			22Oberlin, Ohio	
De Puy, Wellington			11Grand Ledge	
Dickinson, Walter B				K.
Diefenbach, Arthur C			9Benton Harbor .	
Dole, Charles J			26 Chelsea	
Donat, Anthony S	1908,	May	1 Cadillac	
Donovan, John L			9Jerome, Ariz	
D'Ooge, Martin L			16Ann Arbor	
Duff, Rolph J	1873,	April	25 Detroit	
Endy, George P			30 Almont	
Eppens, Edward H				E.
Erskine, John W			4 Evart	
Etheridge, Wm			7Roscommon	
Evans, Ernest	1895,	Sept.	Tital Gala	Gen.
Ewell, Edwin				
Fairbanks, Arthur				
Finster, Clarence				
Foote, James E				
Forbush, Wm. Byron				
Foster, Frank Hugh				
France, Parvin M				
			26 Metamora'	
Fryer, James F			11Grandville	
Fulkerson, Frank			22Grand Rapids	G P
Fuller, W. H				
Gadd, Wm. W				
Gates, Albro G			3Rochester	
Gibson, John C			6 Detroit	
Blasson, Joseph			20Ypsilanti	
Foldsmith, Robert				
Goodrich, Darius N			19Olivet	
Fordon, Robert			25 Moline	
Frant, M. Lee			5 Detroit	
Fray, Eugene F			26 Edmore	
Frieshaber, Charles O	.1897,	May	7 Grand Rapids	

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Griggs, R. Eugene	1891		Royal OakK.
Grinnell, Eugene I	1871,	Sept.	91 Mulliken
Hadden, Archibald	1880,	Dec.	15Muskegon
Hageman, James C	1897.	Feb.	23,Wayne
Hagne, Leonard E	1903,	Aug.	30Grandville
Hancock George H	1886.	April	7Hart
Hanks, Carlos H	1888.	Sept.	21Owosso
Hardy, Ray M	1911.	Dec.	LansingL
Harger, Charles H	1893,	June	27Benzonia
Harbridge, Edward H	1884.	Sept.	1 Holly
Washeldon Clare I.	1893	Inly	19 Holly
Harrison Fred	1913		Covert
Harvey, Edward H	1872,	May	Taw I'aw
Hatfield, George B	1903		Cambridge, Mass
Hawley, Calvin F	1854.	April	Alpha, Ill
Heaten Garren W	1886	Sept	12 Cadillac
Hill. A. Ellsworth	1912		Buckley
Hinzman, Walter T	1905,	Oct.	24 Tipton
Holman, David A	1891,	April	
Houston, Robert	1891,	May	13Flat Rock
Huget, J. Percival	1900,	July	2Detroit
Hunt, Henry W	1884,	Sept.	Afterna I Hrese Conness
Husted, John T	1868,	Oct.	
Hutchinson, W. A	1892,	Oct	Big Rapids N. C. 8 Laingsburg D.
Hutchinson, John F	1893,	Nov.	8Laingsburg 10Hudson
Hyslop, James	1885,	Mar.	8WhitehallM.
Imrie, Andrew B	1906,	NOV.	8WhitehallM. 1DetroitD.
Jacobs, Wm. J	1896,	Sept.	1Toledo, OG. R.
Jones, Ira B	1879,	Sept.	16WyandotteD.
Jones, C. W	1804,	sept.	DurandGen
Jones, Trevor C	1893	Your	3K.
Kelley, Samuel E	1901	Sont	18AddisonSo.
Kempton, A. Joseph	1000	Mar.	Kibble
Kent, L. G	1001	Nor	16South HavenG. R.
King, Walter D Kinney, George W	1906	Sont	5AtlantaN. C.
	1000	Out.	31JSalemJ.
	1905	Mor	29DetroitD.
Kozielek, Paul Lambrecht, John	1900	Sont	7Port HuronE.
Lancaster, Ellsworth G	1889,	Sont	19Olivet
	1876.		14Ollvet
Lamphear, Nathaniel D Lash, Abraham H			12Saugatuck
Latham, Ernest R	1900	Sont	22,Clinton
Lewis, Jacob H	1962	Sont	27Freeland
Lillie, Isaac B	1998	Aver	31Grand JunctionG. R.
Linkletter, Elihu	1976	Ann	17Benzonia
Long, Clarence W			4Grand Rapids
Long, Luther K			9Calumet 8.
Lowther, C. C.			Detroit
Lyford, George D			5
McComas, Henry C			19 Cambridge, Mass N. C.
manufacture, areas construction		Oct.	

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McConnell, Herbert	1898, Jan.	26Grand RapidsG. R.
McCallum, Archie	1911, Oct.	24 Detroit
McLeod, John M	1911, July	11Grand RapidsK.
McRoberts Thomas R	1891, June	25 Oberlin, O
McNair David C	1879, Oct.	30D.
Massey Wm. J	1896, Sept.	20Big RapidsL.
Millar Wm	1892, Sept.	22 Grand RapidsK.
Miller, C. Perry	1884, Oct.	5 Montrose
Miller, C. T	1882	Eastport
Millington, E. J	1908, May	7 Cadillac
Mills Harlow S	1877, June	5G. T.
Mitchell, William	1910, Sept.	27Vicksburg
Mitchell, William	1857, Nov.	4 Detroit
Morehouse, Ezra S	1894, Jan.	30 KalamazooK.
	1894. Oct.	19 Ypsilanti
Morris, O. Lloyd Morris, Samuel T	1890. Oct.	28 Grand Rapids G. R.
Mullins, Matthew	1900	St. JohnsGen.
Myers, Noah J	1886. Ang.	98 Chicago
Northrup, George E	1866	
Ogg, Wm. D	1899 Oct.	20 Lowell
Ollis, F. W	1906 May	1 Grand Haven
Omans, Chester C	1891 Ang	30 Grand Rapids, R. D. 14.G. R.
Omans, Chester C	1807 Ang	5Flint, R. D
Ostrander, Lincoln	1900 Dog	20 Grand JunctionK.
Otis, James A	1850 Sont	18ButternutL.
Otis, Norman L	1912, Oct.	15G. R.
Parker, Wm	1008 Dec	15Greenville
Parson, St. Clare	1908, Dec.	2CharlotteL.
Patchell, Charles T	1890, April	19FremontM.
Paul, Ralph W	1912, Sept.	5Gen.
Pierce, Nathan W	1869, Sept.	
Pillsbury, F. C	1000 Man	16Conklin
Pinch, Fred	1909, Mar.	26Grand RapidsG. R.
Pollard, George A	1855, Sept.	4SaginawS.
Pomeroy, Albert E	1898, Sept.	CalumetL. S.
Povey. Jesse	1865, June	2Gen.
Powley, Malcolm G	1897, May	14Lake OdessaL.
Prestidge, Wm. J	1902, July	22North AdamsSo.
Preston, Jared R	1865, June	10JacksonL.
Preston, Wm. F	1887, 'Sept.	7LudingtonN. C.
Putnam, Holden A	1886, Oct.	18DowagiacK.
Rich, Ulysses G	1889, April	18Dowagiac
Richie, David H	1889, Aug.	14Shelby
Ripon, W. H	1910, April	10J.
Robbins, Benson C	1885, Sept.	6Freesoil
Robinson, Clarence E	1906, May	7WilliamstonL.
Robinson, James C	1878, Sept.	8DetroitD.
Rowland, Levi P	1896, Oct.	26Grand RapidsG. R.
St. Johns, W. I	1910, Oct.	25 Royal Oak
Sanderson, John P	1876, Aug.	20Chicago, IllL.
Sargent, Wm. H	1899, Oct.	16 HonorE.
Sass, Frederick W	1909, Oct.	12,Muskegon

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Schermerhorn, Peter				
Scouten, Marvin F				
Seaver, Charles H			29 Wilson, Kas	
Shannon, Wm. H				
Sheldon, Frank M	1901		Ann Arbor	J.
Sherwood, John W				G. R.
Sipes, E. Jasper	1912,	Aug.	2North Adams	
Skeele, Arthur F	1882,	Feb.	21Olivet	
Skentelbury, Wm. H	1875,	July	7Dundee	
Sloan, Tilden J	1905,	June		
Smith, A. F	1883,	Sept.		
Smits, Bastian				J.
Snelgrove, Andrew H	1881,	Oct.	2 Ann Arbor	La
Snyder. Henry C	1888,	July	20Lawrence	
Soule, Archie F				L
Sprague, Frederick P			4Shelby	
Staley, John J1	1896,	Feb.	10 East Leroy	
Stapleton, Robert				G. T.
Steensma, Wm. S1			23Saginaw	
Stevens, Wilmot E			12East Lansing 27Constantine	
Stevenson, W. D. J1	885	Ang	26Merrill	
Stoneman, Albert H1	900	June		K.
Strang. Clement J1	901	May		
Strickland, George D1	889.	April	30Drummond	g g w
Stuart, Irving W	904.	Sept	8 Alpena	· ·
Sturgis, A. H	889		Cannonsburg	G B
Sutherland, John W 1	876.	Sent		
Sweet, Milo J 1	900.	Feb		D.
Swing, Albert T	878.	June	25 Oberlin, O	
Taggart, Charles E1	886.	July	14Charlevolx	С.
Taylor, Charles L1	886.	Nov.	8Portland	
Terbough, Isaac	804	Oct	17 Reant Alborta	. 17
Thompson, Alexander	887		Grand Rapids	G. R.
10dd, wm. M	890,	Sept.	21 St. Clair	E.
Truman, Daniel	887,	June		
Turner, James M	911,	April	25Oxford	D.
Turner, Jonathan1	895,	Oct.	6 Cheboygan	
Upham, Clement	906,	May	9 Hersey	N. C.
Van Auken, Abraham	879,	Feb.		
Vaushan, Stephen	895,			G. T.
Walker, Arthur	912		Armada	E.
Walker, Wm. H	894,	Oct.	18South Haven	К.
Wallace, Mac H	883,	Sept.	26Old Mission	
Warren, Leroy	088,	Sept.	12 Detroit	D.
Warren, Wm. H	002,	Det	12Old Mission	G. T.
Wellwood, Samuel D 18	200,	Nec.		D,
Wiedenhoeft, Wm18	200,	Dog.		L.
Williams, Wolcott B 18	STA .	Enb.	16 Stanton	L
Willamson, James S18	200	Mar.	15 Lansing	······································
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Wilson, Henry	1877, Jan.	4Covert	K.
Wisse, Iman W	1905, Oct.	17 Grand Rapids	
Wood, Alfred A	1893	Key West, Fla.	J.
Wooley, H. J. L	1912	Vanderbilt	C.
Woolley, Edwin	1912, Sept.	25 Highland	Gen.
Woodmansee, Frank M	1899, Nov.	13Custer	N. C.
York, F. E	1870	Grand Rapids	

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